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# MIDDLEBOROUGH

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“HEAD-O’-THE-CAPE”

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Elevation—100 feet above sea level

Settled—1660

Incorporated as a town—1669

Population 1925 census—9136

Valuation—\$9,111,450.00

(exclusive of Automobiles)

Municipally owned—water, gas, electric light plants.

Tax rate—\$35.20 per thousand

Area—68.1 square miles

Miles of street—146

Motorized Fire Department

Well equipped Hospital.

Schools in Class A.

## *Principal Industries:*

Fire Apparatus

Shoes

Boxes

Brass Goods

Varnishes

Worstedes

Jewelry

Drug Sundries

*and thirty other products*

The center of the cranberry industry

## *Located:*

35 miles from Boston

22 miles from New Bedford

30 miles from Providence, R. I.

## *Railroad Center*

Direct rail connections with

Fall River

New Bedford

Taunton

Providence

Provincetown

Brockton

Boston

New York



## TOWN OFFICERS 1929.

*Selectmen*

FREDERIC H. NOBLE, Chairman	Term expires 1931
LEWIS F. HARDING	Term expires 1930
WILLIAM EGGER	Term expires 1930
ALBERT A. THOMAS	Term expires 1932
ALEXANDER HEATH	Term expires 1932

*Town Manager*

HARRY J. GOODALE

*Town Clerk and Accounting Officer*

WALDO S. THOMAS	Term expires 1930
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*Treasurer and Collector*

WILLIAM W. BRACKETT	Term expires 1930
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*School Committee*

LORENZO WOOD, Chairman	Term expires 1930
FRED B. ALGER	Term expires 1930
KENDRICK H. WASHBURN	Term expires 1931
MRS. PRISCILLA S. ALGER	Term expires 1931
ALLAN R. THATCHER	Term expires 1932
ROBERT G. BUTLER	Term expires 1932

*Superintendent of Schools*

J. STEARNS CUSHING

*Assessors*

BENJAMIN C. SHAW, Chairman	Term expires 1930
WILLIAM G. BOYNTON	Term expires 1931
HARRISON F. SHURTLEFF	Term expires 1932

*Overseers of the Poor*

WILLIAM G. BOYNTON, Chairman	Term expires 1930
LESLIE N. CLARK	Term expires 1931
LELAH M. HATHAWAY	Term expires 1932

*Members of the Planning Board*

HARRY W. SEARS, JR.	Term expires 1930
JOHN B. SAVAGE	Term expires 1931
HOWARD C. HOLDEN	Term expires 1932
GEORGE A. DOANE	Term expires 1933
RUSSELL A. TRUFANT	Term expires 1934

*Health Officer*

JOHN T. CONNOR

*Superintendent of Streets*

PAUL F. ANDERSON

*Registrars of Voters*

MICHAEL J. CRONAN	Term expires 1930
WILLIAM J. COUGHLIN, Chairman	Term expires 1931
MINNIE A. JONES	Term expires 1932

*Trustees of the Public Library*

GRACE H. NOBLE	Term expires 1930
THOMAS H. KELLEY	Term expires 1930
H. JANE BENNETT	Term expires 1930
ALLAN R. THATCHER	Term expires 1931
THEODORE N. WOOD	Term expires 1931
MARION K. PRATT	Term expires 1931
WALTER L. BEALS	Term expires 1932
LEONARD O. TILLSON	Term expires 1932
NATHAN WASHBURN	Term expires 1932

*Constables*

E. KIMBALL HARRISON  
ALDEN C. SISSON  
HARRY S. ALLEN

*Tree Warden*

HARRY J. GOODALE

*Forest Warden*

HARRY J. GOODALE

*Moth Superintendent*

FRANK S. THOMAS

*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

LOUIS C. LITTLEJOHN



## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

Your Board of Selectmen have, during the year, held stated and regular meetings, and considered carefully all matters of town business brought to their attention. In doing this they have endeavored to faithfully discharge their oath of office.

These meetings of your Board have been open to the public and, we trust, this has been helpful toward a better understanding of the many problems presented to the Board for attention and solution.

All complaints and suggestions for better service have been given courteous consideration and it is to be regretted that all demands made could not be met, with funds at hand, and all plans suggested carried out.

Undoubtedly some have been grieved and disappointed that such must of necessity be the case, but your Board has endeavored to take action on all matters in a way that seemed for the best interests of the community as a whole.

Your Board have carefully supervised expenditure of the Taxpayers' money and have made it a practice to examine bills presented for payment. We have conferred constantly with the Town Manager in all matters in an endeavor that service rendered meet with your approval.

We have advised the smallest possible appropriations consistent with the adequate meeting of our needs, that the burden of taxation, borne by the taxpayer, may be kept reasonable. In this, however, your Board can only make recommendations and point the way, while the final decision in this important matter of appropriations must always rest with the voters, and this is as it should be.

The present day demands upon Government are indeed great and appear to be increasing. Citizens are insisting



on better schools, additional and improved highways, better lighted streets, added protection to life and property, and more adequate care for those in needy circumstances. This insistent demand for the extension of governmental activities on the one hand, calling for increased expenditures, with the apparent insistence on the other hand that the taxable burden be reduced, greatly adds to the anxiety and responsibility of those who are willing to assume the duties of public office. It appears to your Board that we must have a better general understanding of our governmental problems, to the end that we may all realize that we are interested in one and the same thing, i. e. the building of a better community for the enjoyment of us all.

Reference, as in previous years, is directed to the within printed reports of our Town Manager and other Town Officers which set forth in detail the work of the year.

Several minor changes have been made in compiling the figures of our expenditures and some additional information is also incorporated in this report.

Our Town Manager has been most helpful throughout the year and has shouldered by far the larger part of the administration of our town affairs. The responsibilities resting upon your Board of Selectmen are varied and numerous. In the discharge of these many exacting duties the only compensation one may hope to receive is the satisfaction of a public service honestly rendered. A free will offering of time and effort, often at considerable sacrifice, that the cause of good government will continue to advance.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERIC H. NOBLE  
ALBERT A. THOMAS  
LEWIS F. HARDING  
ALEXANDER HEATH

Board of Selectmen.

## REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Board of Selectmen,  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

I herewith present my ninth annual report as Town Manager, together with the departmental reports, for your approval.

This year has been a very busy one for all departments, especially this one. In addition to the regular work which is quite enough to keep one busy, there was added much of the incidental work in connection with the Small-pox epidemic; the obtaining data, plans, specifications and bids for a new heating system for the School Street School, and also the necessary information to enable you to make a wise decision as to what method should be used in water-proofing the standpipe, the making of necessary arrangements to supply the town with water and fire protection for the six weeks which the standpipe was empty and undergoing repairs. After these contracts were let it was of course necessary to keep in close touch with the work as it progressed, to see that the specifications were adhered to.

The extension of the water pipe line to Warrentown added a large amount of work to this office. The survey was made by Hayward & Hayward of Brockton, but the detail plans were made in this office, as was also the contract and specifications for the construction of the line and the purchase of all materials used. These were all prepared outside of office hours, as the regular work of this department occupies all of the regular working day. The fact that the appropriation for this extension was insufficient, compelled you to let the contract to the lowest bidder at a figure which could not allow them a reasonable profit, added greatly to

the work of inspection, thus adding more responsibilities to this office.

However, this work has all been done. The small-pox epidemic was cleared up in a remarkably short time, due to the fine co-operation of all the departments of the town and the hearty co-operation of all of the citizens. Too much praise can not be given to all the citizens for their prompt attendance to the clinics in answer to your emergency appeal.

The heating system at the School Street School is working perfectly; the standpipe shows no leakage, and the water pipe line to Warrentown is giving reasonable satisfaction.

The town was indeed fortunate that no unforeseen accident happened and no large fire occurred during the work on the standpipe. Precautions were taken to prepare for all emergencies, but we who were responsible for the constant supply of water at all times spent many an anxious hour in fear that something had been overlooked and that something might happen which would deprive our citizens of water and leave them without adequate fire protection. Happily nothing occurred and I only mention this one incident as an illustration of the many possible things which may happen, the prevention of which is on the minds of the heads of all of your departments at all times, in order that no serious inconvenience may occur to mar the happiness and contentment of our citizens.

Briefly I will outline the major activities of the various departments; the other items of interest appearing more in detail in each individual report.

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

This department under the supervision of Mr. Connor has functioned very efficiently. Unfortunately soon after he assumed office and before he had a chance to get acquainted with his duties, the epidemic of what was supposed to be chicken-pox was diagnosed as small-pox and the credit



of discovering this dreaded disease is due largely to him. He tackled the job of stamping out this disease manfully, and with the full co-operation of all the departmental heads, it was soon done.

On April 24th Dr. Scammon and Dr. McKnight of the State Board of Health, and Dr. Place, specialist of the Boston City Hospital, made a careful investigation of a large number of cases of what had been called chicken-pox and declared some of them to be small-pox, but in a mild form.

A joint meeting of the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen was called that evening, and after listening to the reports of the doctors and a thorough discussion, your Board acting under their powers of the Board of Health, declared that an emergency existed, and ordered all the inhabitants of the town vaccinated. This vote was taken about 9 P. M. and plans for immediately putting this order into execution were started at once, with the result that the next morning doctors and nurses were in all the schools and factories, and clinics were opened in the Town Hall and various other sections of the town. Within twenty-four hours from the time an emergency was declared to exist, five thousand persons were vaccinated, and by the end of the third day the total had reached 9906 out of an estimated population of 9136, showing that many from the surrounding towns took advantage of the opportunity to be vaccinated.

Later the clinics were held for readings and re-vaccinations, and 6860 reported. These readings showed 92.4% were successfully vaccinated.

The last case of small-pox had its onset on May 5th, showing that the spread of this disease was checked in eleven days.

Not only were all these people vaccinated but a card index was made of each individual case, and these are all on file.

Total of small-pox cases was 223.

Total cost to the town in stamping out this epidemic was \$5,578.95.

## WATER DEPARTMENT

The major activities in this department were the extension of an 8 inch main, one mile through Nemasket and Plymouth Streets to Warrentown, and the water-proofing of the standpipe.

On April 30th sealed bids from six contractors were publicly opened and read by the Board of Selectmen. Action on awarding the contract was deferred to May 7th, at which time the contract was awarded to The Ideal Contracting Company for doing all the work of laying the water pipe in the Warrentown extension; the town to supply all the materials the contract for which had been awarded to the lowest bidder. F. A. Houdlette & Sons furnished the pipe, the Ludlow Mfg. Co. the valves and hydrants and LeBaron Foundry Co. the special fittings. Work was begun May 20th and the job was finally accepted August 27th.

As the Ideal Contracting Company's bid was the only one that came within the appropriation, we were obliged to award it to them, with the result that the work obtained was not all that we had hoped to get. Many leaks occurred after the job was finished, and next spring a considerable amount of expense will have to be incurred by the Highway Department to put the road in proper shape for safe use. All the houses on this line to the number of 19, have been connected to the mains. Only 16 however, are being served at present.

The appropriation made for this work, against the advice of your Town Manager, was only \$11,000.00, and the cost of the main line was \$11,428.91, and the cost of the services and meters was \$1434.99, making a total cost of \$12,863.90 as compared with the original estimated cost of \$13,000.00.

## STANDPIPE WATERPROOFING.

After a very careful investigation of the various types and methods of waterproofing as presented by various water-proofing companies, and upon the advice of Mr. Arthur

Sampson who designed the structure and who made a separate investigation, it was decided to line the standpipe with Ironite as applied by the Western Waterproofing Co. of Boston. A contract was entered into with them July 26th, under a five year guarantee.

Water was drawn from the standpipe Sunday, August 11th, at 5 P. M., and work began the next day, and progressed rapidly until it was finally completed and the tank filled again Sunday, Sept. 15th.

At first it was decided to make no repairs except on the inside until after this work had proved to have stopped all the seepage. After further study it was decided to patch the outside where the cement had spalled off, with the same material, and also to paint the iron ladders. This work was done by the day as it was considered to be fairer to both parties, the quantity of work to be done being impossible to estimate.

The original contract was for \$7000.00, and the extra work amounted to \$1079.11. Extra engineers at the pumping station, rent of fire apparatus, coal, and other incidental expenses was \$1880.16, making a total cost of this work of \$9959.27.

During all this time in order to supply the town with water, it was necessary to run the pumps continuously, and as we felt our pumping capacity was inadequate to furnish a sufficient supply of water in case of a large fire, it was decided to hire one of Maxim Motor Company's 1000 gallon per minute fire engine pumps and place it at the Pumping Station with a suction line to the river and the discharge lines connected to the mains.

To protect the purity of the water a chlorinating machine was installed on the suction line. Fortunately we did not have occasion to use this additional fire protection, as no fires occurred during the time the standpipe was undergoing repairs. The insurance, however, was worth all it cost.



## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

This department has been unusually busy this year, due to the \$5000.00 increase in the appropriation. The one piece gravel crushing plant has continued to be a success as the repair bills have been small and the crusher has been run continuously through the year. Total amount of gravel placed on all the roads during the year was 14513 cubic yards, at a cost of \$14,300.53, or an average cost of \$0.97 per cubic yard. This cost includes all labor, all trucks, crusher and roller operating costs. The major jobs were on thirteen streets but improvements were also made on eleven other streets.

One of the most noticeable improvements was on Center Street where the car tracks were covered with hot mix and the whole surface treated with 85% road oil.

New cement walks were laid on Center St., Center Avenue and Pearl St., and a gravel and cinder walk built on Center St. from Crowell St. to Taunton Road.

54,800 gallons of road oil were used and 10,570 gallons of patching material.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

At the annual town meeting in 1929 a by-law was voted adopting the two-platoon system for this department. As all by-laws require the approval of the Attorney General before they become effective, a copy of this was sent to him early in the year, but was not returned with his approval until late in the summer and after much discussion concerning the way this should be put into effect it was decided to have each of the two platoons consist of one house officer and four men, and this was finally put into effect Wednesday, October 30th. Albert Owens who had been a Call Deputy Chief for a number of years was appointed a full time Deputy Chief in charge of one platoon, with Capt. Ryder in charge of the other. The added expense of operating this

department by the two-platoon system for labor alone for 1930 will be \$6,227.00 more than was appropriated in 1928.

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Major improvements were made in the Bates and School St. Schools. In the Bates school one of the large chimneys had to be rebuilt at a cost of \$333.62, and \$373.06 was spent on the heating system.

The heating system in the School St. school, which had been in use since the building was built in 1907, became so bad that it was necessary to put in a complete new system. A careful investigation proved that the most economical system to use both in the first cost and in the operating cost for this building was the unit system. By using this method the foul air ducts already in the building could be utilized, and the necessity of building new fresh air ducts eliminated as by the use of the unit system all the fresh air is taken in through the windows. The appropriation for this work was \$9000.00, and the final cost \$8088.66, showing a saving of \$911.34.

South Middleboro school was shingled and a new fence built around the yard.

Seats were put in one of the third floor rooms in the Memorial High school.

All the other buildings were given their usual summer cleaning.

## GAS AND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT.

Seven hundred feet of new gas mains have been laid this year on Etta St., Forest Extension, Lincoln St. and Prospect St.

Electric light extensions have been made on Benson St. and Highland St. in Middleboro, and Precinct St. and Rhode Island Road in Lakeville.

With the completion of Winter and Fuller Street lines which are now under construction, all the large extensions in our system will have been completed.

Our electric light system may be likened to a tree in which all its energy and vitality has been devoted in spreading its branches, leaving the trunk in a weakened condition. If the branches are to give the service expected the trunk must be strengthened, and that is somewhat the condition in which the system is in at present, although some of the main lines have been rebuilt there is still much to be done. Much of the income of this department in the near future should be spent for this purpose.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Our police department is still functioning in a very efficient manner. The exceedingly heavy automobile traffic through the summer taxes its limited force to the utmost, but our officers have become very proficient in this work and the traffic was handled the best this past year it has ever been. The illegal liquor traffic is another source of trouble, but I think we can safely say that our town is one of the cleanest in this section of the State.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. GOODALE,

Town Manager.





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# SCHOOL COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION 1929

LORENZO WOOD, Chairman

## MEMBERS

	Term Expires
Allan R. Thatcher, 1 Webster St.	1932
Dr. Robert G. Butler, 1 Williams Place	1932
Kendrick H. Washburn, 70 So. Main St.	1931
Priscilla S. Alger, 10 Southwick St.	1931
Fred B. Alger, 5 Court End Ave.	1930
Lorenzo Wood, Plymouth St.	1930

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

J. Stearns Cushing, 16 Court End Ave.  
Res. Telephone 643-W

Office, Room 7, Town Hall, Telephone 81

Office Hours, School Days, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday  
3:30 to 5 P. M.; Tuesday and Thursday, 8 to 9:30 A. M.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held in  
Room 7, Town Hall, on the first Thursday of each month,  
excepting July and August, at 7:30 P. M.



SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. A. V. Smith, 35 Pearl St.  
Telephone 50

SCHOOL NURSE

Miss Helen B. Pasztor, 132 North Main St.  
Telephone 278

SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE

John T. Connor, 170 North Main St.  
Telephone 812

CENSUS ENUMERATOR

Mrs. Carrie L. Jones, West St.  
Telephone 293-M

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Term, January 6—February 28, 8 weeks.

Second Term, March 10—May 2, 8 weeks.

Third Term, May 12—June 20, 6 weeks; High School.

May 12—June 13, 5 weeks; Elementary

Schools.

Fourth Term, September 8—December 19, 15 weeks.

The graduating exercises of the Junior High School Grades will be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday afternoon, June 11, at 2 o'clock.

The graduating exercises of the Senior High School will be held in the Town Hall Wednesday evening, June 18, at 8 o'clock.

HOLIDAYS

May 30, October 13, November 11, November 27-28.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Members of the School Board:—

I herewith present the annual report of the schools of the town and my third as Superintendent of those schools.

At this time I must once more express my sincere appreciation of the cooperation received from the teachers and all persons connected with the School Department. It is only with such unstinted support of all that the destinies of almost two thousand children in our schools can be properly directed.

The School Department in the particular form of government under which the town is operating is of necessity tied very closely to the office of the Town Manager. He is the official purchasing agent and caretaker of all buildings which means that all repairs, fuel, light, water and insurance are under his jurisdiction. From that office I have received the heartiest cooperation and my suggestions have been most kindly received in all instances. The Town Accountant, Treasurer and other Town Officials have been most helpful and I should like to express my appreciation to them for their ever ready reports and efforts.

### SAFETY EDUCATION

The increasing loss of child life through accident during the past three years has demanded that Safety Education be included in the curriculum of our schools. The public school aims to educate children for successful adjustment to life. It is, therefore, inevitable that in a changing world educational practice must be continually modified to meet new conditions. It is not our policy to teach Safety Education as a subject apart from other school subjects but as a part of other subjects of the curriculum as well as in actual situations where the need for Safety is apparent.

The General Objectives of Safety Education as stated in our course of study are as follows:

- I. To give children an understanding of situations involving hazard that their behavior in these situations may be intelligent.
- II. To develop habits of conduct which will enable children to meet the situations of daily life without accident.
- III. To develop habits of conduct which will function in difficult situations and in times of crisis.
- IV. To develop a generation characterized by habits of carefulness.
- V. To develop skill in control of bodily movement.
- VI. To create right attitudes including:
  - A. Respect for law and officers of the law.
  - B. Willingness to assume responsibility for the safety of self and others.
  - C. Willingness to cooperate in organized efforts to secure safety.
  - D. Interest in the social significance of safety.
- VII. To eliminate all preventable accidents.

From First Grade to Senior Class we have tried to meet some or all of these objectives. An example of the type of instruction might interest parents. On one day all subjects in the curriculum may be correlated with Safety Education. In the High School the work in English grammar, literature, and composition may be based on safety topics; in the foreign languages words pertaining to safety learned and safety sentences constructed; in Commercial subjects dictation of safety measures taken in shorthand and transcribed in Typewriting classes; words in Spelling pertain to safety; Art classes use safety subjects for posters and sketches; Mathematic problems phrased in safety terms; while the speaker of the day in assembly speaks on a safety topic.

In the lower grades games, rhymes, short talks, excursions, and dramatization helps meet the specific objectives



for the younger pupils. Fire drills are held regularly in all central buildings. The local fire department has furnished speakers on fire prevention, ringing alarms, use of extinguishers and fire escapes and their cooperation together with that of the local police department has been of great value to the safety program. It may or may not be significant but surely accidents to children have been kept at a minimum locally while our state and national figures are daily mounting.

### CONDITIONS IN THE CENTRAL SCHOOLS

During the summer vacation the remaining small room on the third floor of the new high school building was equipped with desks and chairs. This takes the last room available for class purposes. The enrollment at the present time is 533 which is slightly less than anticipated. The graduating class this year numbers 76 while the entering class should number approximately 125. I feel however that we can take care of this increase without added teaching force.

Physical education for boys of this school should be considered by your committee. At present the girls are cared for, the boys who are candidates for athletic teams are cared for, but the great mass of boys have no organized physical education. I would recommend that one period each week be given all pupils in this school and that suitable instruction be provided for the work.

In the Bates school one more teacher has been added to the faculty. This has not only taken care of the increase of pupils in this school but has allowed the Supervisor of Art to spend more time in the High school classes which are rapidly increasing in numbers and also allowed her to give more time to supervision of the work in the grades. Some new chairs and desks must be purchased for this school during the coming summer. It will probably be necessary to seat the Science laboratory as a home-room to accommodate the entering class. Additional radiation has been added to the heating system and separate returns taken to the

boiler. Although the weather has not been severe as yet the results indicate a much more uniformly heated building. Both chimneys on this building have been rebuilt and new grates installed in the furnace.

A new series of English books are being introduced in this school as well as a complete change in the Science text and nature of the work.

The new heating system installed during the summer in the School Street school is working out very efficiently. Each room now has a unit system of heat and ventilation under direct control of the classroom teacher and independent of other classrooms in the building. The ceilings have become badly cracked and loose pieces of plaster are in danger of falling in the classrooms. All unnecessary physical activities have been prohibited on the upper floor until repairs are made, and for the safety of the pupils it is imperative that these ceilings be replaced as soon as possible.

Crowded conditions continue to exist in some grades of the School Street school. Classes in which there are over 45 pupils are receiving the help of training students from the Normal School and I feel more satisfactory results will be obtained because of the better opportunity for a closer individual contact of instruction.

In the Union Street, West Side, and Forest Street schools the entering classes this year are small and conditions that are mentioned in the preceding paragraph will be eliminated as soon as these classes reach the third grade. The new system of reading installed last year has had its first full year of trial and results seem to warrant its continuance.

## CONDITIONS IN THE SUBURBAN SCHOOLS

Middleboro has more one room buildings than any other town in the State of Massachusetts. The "little red school-house" is rapidly disappearing and modern consolidated schools are taking its place. We have 12 of these one room

buildings in this town. All of these used to house the nine grades in each building. In most however, conditions have been somewhat improved. The ninth grade was eliminated a few years ago, and with the building of the new high school the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades were transported to the Bates school.

In the North section of the town the three schools have been treated as a unit and three grades only are in any building. Last September the three schools in the East section were developed into a unit of three buildings containing two grades each; grades one and two at the Green, three and four at Soule, and five and six at Waterville. Pupils are transported direct to the buildings eliminating the dangers of children walking on the highways. The educational values gained I believe are self evident. Pupils in these buildings are at the present time in a much more advance stage in the work of the grade than in previous years. Their associates are of the same age. Their classes are large enough to give the children the valuable spirit of friendly competition with their classmates for no longer can a child be both at the head and foot of the class at the same time. Equipment is centralized and therefore administrations is more economical for duplication may be eliminated.

In the South section of the town conditions are not as favorable for the unit development due to the greater distance between the four schools involved and I urge the immediate and serious consideration of this problem.

I wish to recommend the early erection of a four or five room building somewhere near the geographical center of the four buildings of this section that will house the pupils in a modern structure with modern heating, lighting, ventilation and sanitation. The four buildings now in use may then be abandoned. The cost of transportation should not be materially increased as pupils are at present transported to all of these schools and in only one district would mileage be increased. The cost of maintenance and upkeep of the



one building should be less than that of the present four. The cost of instruction would not be increased. The educational value of the room-per-grade school over the present organization of these schools offers no discussion.

Realizing that such a building is improbable before the opening of the next school year and that the crowded condition of the South Middleboro school is not for the best interests of the pupils of that school, I would recommend a study of the advisability of the unit treatment of Rock and South Middleboro only, as a temporary solution of this serious problem.

### CLASS FOR RETARDED PUPILS

Due to the loss of pupils during the summer vacation the formation of a class for retarded pupils was not necessary this past year. The examination of pupils for the present year has just been completed and recommendations from the State have not been received. Forty-three pupils were examined and it is most probable that this class will be formed for next September.

### VACCINATION

At the May meeting of the School Board the Compulsory Vaccination law was accepted and it was unanimously voted to place the same in operation at the beginning of the Fall term. No child is now admitted to enter the school system unless he or she has complied with the law as stated in Chapter 76 Section 15 of the General Laws of the State of Massachusetts.

### HEALTH

The smallpox epidemic of last April was a most serious condition but our school children were less affected than the

adult population. The immediate vaccination without doubt lessened the number of cases among the school children but our greatest loss was of school attendance due to quarantine. Added effort however upon the part of both pupils and teachers brought the pupils to the usual standards before the close of school in June.

Diphtheria is a preventable disease that occurs most frequently between the ages of six months and eight years. Since this dreaded disease is preventable it is planned to hold a clinic for immunization against the same sometime in March of this year. Parents will have the privilege of sending or bringing their children to the clinic. Information regarding the clinic and work done will be sent parents prior to the date set. There will be no compulsion of immunization but it is sincerely hoped that parents will take advantage of this opportunity to safeguard the health of their children.

I wish at this time to express my appreciation of the work of the School Nurse and Public Health Officer. The School Nurse has been most efficient and her efforts far-reaching. Her conduct of the newly formed Dental Clinic has been of inestimable value to our lower grades. The local Health Officer has at all times cooperated with the health work and policies of the School Department. I trust that every citizen will read carefully the report of the School Nurse appended to this report that they may better realize the scope of the work accomplished.

### THE NEW HEARING TESTS

For the first time in Middleboro the Audiometer, a mechanical device for the testing of hearing, was used in our schools this Fall. The machine and operator were obtained through the Plymouth County Health Association and our entire school population above the second grade was tested. Hitherto no uniformity of test existed and

results were very unsatisfactory. This year pupils who showed any defect after the first test were retested and if any defects were then evident the parents were so notified.

Defect in Hearing is the cause of many school failures and it is hoped that where parents were notified a defect was found that the advice of a competent physician will be sought and correction made.

## PRACTICAL ARTS

I wish to recommend the study of the revision of the curriculum in the seventh and eighth grades in the Bates School. At the present time our schools provide nothing for the boy or girl who is manually and not book minded. Some form of handwork should be provided for these pupils in adolescent age; work of a pre-vocational nature for the boys and a course in Homemaking for the girls. A room in the basement of the school would readily lend itself to a General Shop for the boys' work while a room on the upper floor would care for the girls' activities. The work now being done through the medium of clubs is very meager and insufficient necessarily reaching only a very few pupils while all pupils of this age should have the opportunity for hand training.

## THE BUDGET FOR 1930

This year the School Department asked for and received a smaller appropriation than that of the previous year and closed the year with a small balance. The large increase in enrollment in the High school in the past two years has necessitated three additional teachers while the increase in the Bates this year added one teacher to that faculty. These four additional teachers were carried without an additional appropriation for the four months of last year although the individual budget item for teachers' salaries was



exceeded by \$3,040.70. The budget for 1920 must care for the first full year of all four of these teachers and an increase experienced in that item. There are 111 more pupils in our Secondary schools today than at the same time last year.

A change in route and means of transportation in one district together with the necessity of an additional route of transportation has increased that item of the budget. The School Department is now transporting 614 pupils, 276 miles per day, in 11 departmental operated busses. In addition to these pupils there are 91 pupils who are carried in public carriers and who are reimbursed for tickets bought in the school. A study of the table on transportation on a later page will give a clear idea of this perplexing problem in detail.

Even with the addition of the new building last year the Maintenance of Buildings item was reduced \$4500.00. The smaller amount asked for was not sufficient to meet the needs of the ever-occurring necessary repairs, new seats, and equipment. The amount asked for in the present budget is \$1500.00 more than of last year but also \$1500.00 less than that of the two previous years when we had one less building than at present.

The small increase in Supplies is a direct result of increased pupil membership. Other items of the budget for 1930 remain practically as of last year.

## MEASURING A SCHOOL SYSTEM

According to Prof. Blair a city or town that spends on its schools from \$90.00 to 100.00 for each pupil in average daily attendance; that has an average of 35 pupils or less for each teacher in the school system; that devoted from 65% to 70% of its school budget to teachers' salaries; that spends more money on educational control than upon the business offices of the Board of Education; that does not pay more than 1/10 as much for janitor service will be in the upper

half of the cities and towns in the United States. If in addition to this, the school authorities so plan the course of study and direct the teachers work that 20% to 25% of the school population are attending the last four years of the 12 years, that city or town will have reason to claim that it has a good school system.

Middleboro has about 1900 pupils in its public schools, 500 of whom are in the last four years of the high school or 26% of the school population. In this respect Middleboro meets the requirements; but there are many teachers in grades one to nine who have over 35 pupils which means an overload in some respects. The rest of the requirements are in favor of our local department. The average cost per pupil for the schools of Middleboro this year is \$76.17 or \$21.98 under the average for the State. Of the 355 towns and cities in the State of Massachusetts Middleboro ranks 312th in per capita cost for the support of its public schools.

## CONCLUSION

The reports of the High School Principal, Supervisor of Art, Music, and Penmanship, School Nurse, School Physician and Supervisor of Attendance are appended to this report and I sincerely hope these reports will be carefully read, their recommendations duly considered, and their efficient work fully appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

J. STEARNS CUSHING,

Superintendent of Schools.



## REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Middleboro, Massachusetts

January 6, 1930

Mr. J. Stearns Cushing  
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my fourth annual report under the following headings and tables.

## COLLEGE CERTIFICATE

The High School continues on the approved list of the New England College Certificate Board. It is also approved by Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and Dartmouth College, and is in Class A for Normal Schools.

Those interested in knowing which higher institutions are attended by graduates, should look at the tables at the end of this report.

## TEACHING CHANGES

One new teacher and one additional teacher were necessary at the beginning of this school year. This represents the least turnover in our teaching force for some years, a condition which can be but for the best interests of the school.

## SIZE OF SCHOOL

The school did not increase this past year quite as expected.

In 1927-28 our total enrollment was 461, and the actual enrollment in June, 1928, was 418, a decrease of 43.

In 1928-29, the total enrollment was 513, but in June, 1929, there were 463, a decrease of 50.

In 1929-30, the total enrollment is 533, and actual number in school December 20, 1929, is 507; if the decrease is as

the past two years, the actual registration in June, 1930, will be about 485.

Our registration September, 1930, should be about 560, and it is the expectation that this will be the peak of High School attendance. If so, I feel that we will best try to keep the single room left on the first floor for the Lunch Room, instead of putting seats and desks into it. During the past summer, the one empty room on the third floor had seats and desks placed in it. Further expansion will mean the abandonment of the Lunch Room. An additional teacher next year will not be necessary, as has been the case the last several years; unless, of course, the increase is far in excess of that expected.

#### PRO MERITO SOCIETY

An honor society has been established, necessitating for membership a rank of 85% average in all subjects for three years. The organization is known as the Walter Sampson Chapter of the Pro Merito Society, and is for the purpose of stimulating scholarship. (For members, see graduation program). Principal Emeritus, Walter Sampson has kindly financed the buying of Pro Merito pins for the past two years.

#### EXTRA-CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

The Memorial High School Student Body is prospering. This year, at the students' desire, dues are \$2.50 a year or 10c. a week, and include season tickets to football, basketball, and baseball; the three issues of the Sachem; reduced prices at socials; and attendance at Student Body meetings.

A budget has been prepared, so that the amount to be spent by each activity is estimated beforehand. The big item, of course, is athletics, which is expected to cost \$900 this school year.

By State law the school itself must finance athletics as far as equipment, uniforms, and maintenance are concerned. This is always a problem, and we feel that we are meeting it this year in a very satisfactory way. We are indebted to the town for providing a coach, the athletic field, and the gymnasium.

Practically every teacher has one or more phases of extra classroom work to do. Four of the lady teachers have charge of the Lunch Room; one is faculty treasurer, taking care of all the various accounts in the school; another is vocational counsellor, interviewing each pupil in educational and vocational guidance. Some of the other tasks apportioned are acting as class advisers, coaching girls' basketball, coaching school plays, purchasing class rings, the literary and the business supervision of the Sachem, directing the library, arranging athletic schedules, etc.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Health is the first of the seven cardinal objectives of secondary education. The value of health in relation to the present and future of our boys and girls cannot be overestimated. A constructive yet economical program in physical education is absolutely in order in Memorial High School.

The situation is similar to that of last year, the girls are much better taken care of than the boys. A young lady trainer from the Posse-Nissen Physical Education School of Boston gives instruction at the High School one school day a week. This, with the aid of one of the lady teachers, enables us to give each girl one period a week of Physical Education.

The boys, however, are not so fortunate. Of course, their opportunity is greater in athletics; but the boys who do not care for athletics are the very boys who are most likely to be benefitted by Physical Education. The athletes are in less need of Physical Education; yet even for them, in cases, certain corrective exercises are in order, of which



their practice in athletics does not take care. There is a splendid gymnasium in the building. It would seem that at no very great expense a supervisor of Physical Education for the boys could be secured for two days a week, which would be adequate. More lockers should be provided.

### LUNCH ROOM

Except for a change in the system of management, our Lunch Room is functioning as last year. This year it is a teacher project, taken care of in splendid fashion by four of the lady teachers. The room is small, inadequate for the 250-300 pupils that regularly patronize it. The existence of the lunch room is absolutely justified. To improve it and give increased service is the present problem.

### THE "NEW" BUILDING

Less and less frequently one hears questions as to the adequacy of the new building. The cement sidewalks and the hiring of a part-time janitress solve two glaring problems. Externally, the building is one to be proud of. The site is ample in size and seems as well located as that of any school in the state. The grading and seeding of the lawn, the careful work of Mr. Goodwin on the place, the trees of the evergreen variety enhance the appearance of the building. The Class of 1929 left money which financed the purchasing of several more trees and some ivy, so that in future years ivy will be on the walls. The field at the rear of the building provides an ideal place for recess as well as for baseball and football in season.

Internally the building is satisfactory. Personally I think it one of the best planned buildings of its size. The lighting of each room is admirable, as is the arrangement of rooms and corridors.

The Walter Sampson Auditorium receives its share of use. Assemblies, socials, outside speakers on occasion add tremendously to the success of our school. The auditorium

lends itself to decoration, so that it is pleasing in appearance as well as useful.

The gymnasium gives opportunity for boys' and girls' basket ball and physical exercise. Both boys' and girls' group basket ball teams add to the zest and interest of the school.

All in all, the building is very satisfactory. Changes have been made so that there is little difficulty in heating.

It would be easy to pick flaws—lack of an adequate lunch room, of provision for manual training or some sort of shop practice, and of greater locker space. However, it is easy to pick flaws in anything if one is in the mood.

#### IN CONCLUSION

Time has passed quickly. It does not seem possible that I have been principal of Middleboro High School for three and a half years. They have been happy and busy years. For whatever success our High School has enjoyed, I am appreciative of our School Committee, our Superintendent, our Faculty, and our Student Body.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED R. MACK,

Principal.



## GRADUATES OF PAST FOUR YEARS

Class of	Number in Class	Number going to College	Number going to Normal School	Number going to other schools	Total continuing Study
1926	50	11	7	11	29
1927	56	12	6	10	28
1928	67	10	5	13	28
1929	71	7	3	16	26

GRADUATES OF 1929  
(Corrected to Dec. 20, 1929)

Higher Schools	Boys	Girls	Total
Attend Colleges	Brown	1 Jackson	1
	Northeastern Univ.	2 Bos. Univ.	1
	Mass. Agric. C.		—
	(2 yrs. course)	1	2
	Armour Inst. Chic.	1	
		—	
		5	7
Normal Schools		Bridgewater	1
		Hyannis	2
			—
			3
			3
Commercial Schools		Bentley	1
Nurses' Tr. School			9
			9
Other Schools	6		6
Postgraduates in MHS	1		3
			4
Total continuing their education	12		18
			30
Total in class	25		46
			71

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL  
MIDDLEBORO, MASS.

Total Enrollment

	Boys	Girls	Total
P. G.	1	6	7
Senior	37	39	76
Junior	34	79	113
Sophomore	72	88	160
Freshmen	88	89	177
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	232	301	533

	Lakeville	Plympton	Carver	Total
P. G.	1	1	0	2
Senior	4	3	2	9
Junior	11	10	6	27
Sophomore	8	8	10	26
Freshmen	12	11	11	34
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	36	33	29	98

December 20, 1929

## DISTRIBUTION OF PUPILS BY SUBJECTS

Subject	IX	X	XI	XII	Total	
English	169	164	120	86	539	(18)
French		78	46	17	141	(6)
Latin	43	30	23	6	102	(5)
Spanish		41	13		54	(2)
Algebra	103				103	(4)
Plane Geometry		61			61	(3)
Advanced Algebra			46		46	(2)
Solid Geometry and Trigonometry				11	11	(1)
Elementary Science	150				150	(4)
Physics			3	16	19	(1)
Chemistry			26	19	45	(2)
Ancient History	77				77	(2)
Modern History		134	3	12	150	(5)
U. S. History			88	38	126	(4)
Problems of Democracy			10	22	32	(1)
Citizenship	70				70	(2)
Commercial Geography		54	8	18	80	(3)
Commercial Arithmetic	98				98	(3)
Business Training	94				94	(3)
Stenography			40	17	57	(3)
Typewriting			59	23	82	(4)
Bookkeeping		69	28		97	(5)
Economics			22	12	34	(1)
Law and Advertising			14	22	36	(1)
Mechanical Drawing	21	26	16	15	78	(6)
Freehand Drawing	34	39	31	12	116	(6)

These figures were correct December 20, 1929. A number in parenthesis shows number of divisions; for example, there are 18 divisions or classes of English.

## REPORT OF THE ART DEPARTMENT

Middleboro, Massachusetts  
December 27, 1929

J. Stearns Cushing  
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Sir:

I herewith respectfully submit to you a report of the Art Department for the year ending December 20, 1929.

What we are trying to do is to train a group of youths to become more intelligent consumers of the products of art education; to have proper standards of art values. Furthermore, we are applying art principles and art ideals to the materials, and to the conditions of every day life.

Art education becomes a part of the program in our elementary and secondary schools; it is partly for the purpose of discovering those who have talent to produce art objects later and for the great mass of those who have to use these products in industry, the home, and elsewhere. The pupils are being taught to select objects of proper design, things that harmonize, that have the right color combinations, and also some appreciation of those elements which aid in making life a little more pleasant and a little easier.

It is through the art training that a keener observation of things, both material and spiritual are kept before them.

Art training makes for efficiency through development of skills, individuality, creativeness, and taste.

Art makes for home and civic improvement right attitudes toward community and international welfare and therefore leads to better citizenship.

Art education therefore, attains a new significance and a greater regard, particularly as recognize both its practical and cultural values.

Art in the public schools today means more than drawing. It is a means of putting into the souls of pupils an apprecia-



tion of beautiful things and an insistence above all that these shall be made available for their enjoyment.

We teach art because it is the right of every American boy and girl to appreciate beauty wherever it exists.

In our schools every teacher has a complete outline of the subject and of the work to be taught. These outlines aim to cultivate good taste; to teach an appreciation of the beautiful; to teach good judgement in selection and arrangement; to train students to adapt to their needs, ideas and suggestions from others and create ideas of their own; and to teach the fundamental art principles in application to dress and the home. These same principles are carried along in more advanced stages in the Junior and Senior High School classes.

The course at the Bates school has proven a great success and classes are much farther advanced than at this time last year because of the extra period that has been added for the work and by the instruction given by Miss Freida Hartmann.

In the last four years the Senior High School Art classes have increased six times their numbers in attendance and election, which shows the increase in appreciation of the value of the subject.

I would like to add a few suggestions wherein an improvement might be made in the High School work and which I consider most necessary.

First, a double period should be given pupils in this school.

Second, if possible, an increase in credit should be given.

Third, more time should be allowed for specialized courses for those who plan to make Art their vocation in life, for I consider many of the Middleboro pupils have exceptional talent and should have that privilege.

Fourth, more time should be allowed the Supervisor for teaching in the High School for more direct contact with the pupils.

Fifth, Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors should have separate periods.

Sixth, Elective courses such as follows might be offered

- a. Pictorial Art.
- b. Commercial Art.
- c. Industrial Art.
- d. Interior Decoration
- e. Costume Design
- f. Teacher Training
- g. Crafts—modeling, pottery, metal work, stenciling, block printing, and book binding
- h. A general course in Art Appreciation

I should be most grateful if the committee and superintendent would give these suggestions their careful consideration.

The Art Department held an exhibition in each school room last spring showing the kind of work and progress step by step.

Thirty-two group posters have just been completed for the large exhibition next Spring.

The following letter shows one way in which the Art Department has helped the American Red Cross and the Veterans of our last war.—

The American Red Cross  
U. S. Veterans Hospital  
Bedford, Massachusetts  
November 29, 1929

Junior Red Cross  
Middleboro, Massachusetts  
Dear Junior Friends:

We were glad to receive from you the pretty baskets as a special Thanksgiving gift to the men at the Bedford Hospital. They were most attractive and added a bright touch of color to the dining room tables in the wards where the sick men are.

We appreciate your thoughtfulness in working out such attractive favors for these tables.

Sometime we should like you to pay us a visit, when we can tell you more about the way Uncle Sam is caring for his ex-soldiers in hospitals.

Thanking you again, assuring you of our appreciation, we are

Most cordially yours

Evelyn Davis, Director

Red Cross Ser.

The favors mentioned were made by the Bates School pupils and the Art Department has been asked to cooperate with the Red Cross for favors for every holiday in the coming year which we shall provide.

Art has been a thing apart belonging only to a certain class for so long that few educators have yet seen the educational value of the subject. Art education should be carried on at public expense not only for the sake of Art but to make American Education complete by developing the whole personality of every individual, therefore Art.

In closing, I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the support always extended to me by the members of the School Committee, and the Superintendent of Schools, and my gratefulness to the Principals and Teachers who have helped me in my efforts.

SYLVIA GRENVILLE COMLEY

Supervisor of Art



## REPORT OF THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Boston, Massachusetts  
December 27, 1929

J. Stearns Cushing  
Superintendent of Schools  
Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my report for the Music Department for 1929.

The year started out most auspiciously by the presentation of a Gilbert and Sullivan Opera—"Trial by Jury", which was a splendid success both artistically and financially, making a goodly sum for the Music Fund and giving an opportunity for several to make their initial appearance in solo parts who have since contributed largely to the musical activities of the community.

This was followed by the Bates School in their annual concert in which the Eighth Grade pupils presented "The Pilgrims of 1620", in splendid manner. They were assisted by the Boys Glee Club, Girls Glee Club, Orchestra and Instrumentalist Soloists.

In May the High School Chorus gave their Spring Concert an evening of rare merit, followed by the usual period of college and popular songs, cheers for their instructors, and the battle of music in which Mr. Sampson participated.

The different schools are now preparing for events which will be presented in the near future. One or two novelties will be featured by the High School Glee Clubs in the Mid-Year Concert, the proceeds of which will be used to establish a fund for uniforming a school band, which is in the inception. Uniforms are a stimulation to any organization of the kind and this plan will develop an interest in that activity.

The Instrumental Classes are progressing in a most satisfactory manner. The number of pupils now total over fifty. We are already noting the effects of these lessons in our orchestras. The Junior High School Orchestra doubled its numbers in the past year and we are enabled to start



an orchestra in the School Street School this year for the first time in my experience as a Supervisor.

I wish to congratulate the School Department in being able to arrange with such successful teachers as Mrs. Marion Belmont for the violin classes and Mr. Walter Weeman for the other instruments of the orchestra. Both these instructors have evidenced great patience and perseverance in handling the boys and girls and splendid results have been and are being obtained, this being the third season that classes have been carried on and we are in a position to judge of the fruits of this procedure and I most heartily recommend a continuance of the same. The Drum Corps from the Bates and West Side Schools participated in the Armistice Day parade with credit to all. Fife Classes at School Street are in progress and the usual stimulation to syllable reading is the result. The Bates School Orchestra, Mr. Burkland directing, together with the High School Orchestra furnished music for the matinee and evening performances of the Teachers Dramatic Event and added appreciably to the pleasure of the audience.

By the use of a portable phonograph we have been able to present lessons in Music appreciation to the Suburban Schools which has been greatly appreciated by the pupils.

WIRT B. PHILLIPS

Supervisor of Music.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF PENMANSHIP

December 31, 1929

J. Stearns Cushing  
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Sir:

I herewith respectfully submit to you my second annual report.

In the penmanship department this year an attempt has been made to place emphasis on the work in the grades from three to six. These seem to be the grades in which most of the good or bad habits of penmanship are formed.

The aim in the penmanship department is not to make all of the pupils expert penmen, but, thru the teaching of good positions, free movement and formation of letters to make all of the students good legible business writers.

The Palmer System, the business writing which has been in vogue here for many years, is still in use and the results are very satisfactory.

Pupils in the grades work with much enthusiasm for the Palmer Awards and during the past three years, there have been surprising increases in the number of pins and certificates awarded.

In closing, I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the support extended to me by the Superintendent, the Principals, and Teachers who have assisted me in my efforts.

Sincerely yours,

WALTER G. HICKS

Supervisor of Penmanship

# REPORT OF THE SCHOOL AND PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Middleboro, Mass.

January 2, 1930

Mr. J. Stearns Cushing  
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Sir:

I herewith present my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1929 showing by the statistics the work done by the Nurse during the year.

## VISITATIONS

Home Visits	701
Central Schools	255
Suburban Schools	114
Doctors' Offices with Pupils	26
Office Treatment	228

## CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

Smallpox	136
Scarlet Fever	70
Measles	17
Chickenpox	5
Whooping Cough	7
Mumps	1
German Measles	1

## HEALTH TALKS GIVEN

Bates School P. T. A.	"Child Health"
Bates School	"Food of the Foreign Born"
Memorial High	"Prevention of Illness"
Girl Scouts	"First Aid and Home Nursing" classes

## MEETINGS ATTENDED

Crippled Childrens' Hospital at Canton
South Shore Health Workers' Club, first Wednesday of each month
Seal Sale Chairman Committee at Brockton
Red Cross Convention at Cranston, Rhode Island
Plymouth County Teachers' Association at Brockton

Health Convention at Plymouth County Hospital,  
South Hanson

TRIPS WITH SCHOOL CHILDREN

Plymouth County Hospital	2
Lakeville Sanitorium for X-Ray	5

RETARDED PUPILS

Home Visits	23
Personal Histories of Pupils	23
Examination with Dr. Boutelle of State Hospital	42

PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

Assisted School Physician in examination of 1904 pupils  
130 'defect notices' sent to homes  
Weighed and measured all pupils in Suburban Schools  
4 times.  
Weighed and measured all pupils in Central Schools  
4 times.  
Weighed and measured all pupils in High School once.

UNDERWEIGHTS

School	October	December
School Street	79	57
Union Street	16	3
West Side	24	16
Forest Street	3	1
Bates	81	57
Suburban Schools	44	21

TEN-YEAR TUBERCULAR CLASS PROGRAM

Examination held April 23, 1929 with Dr. William R.  
Martin Clinic Physician

Number of pupils examined 10

Improved Group

Number of pupils found to be improved in 1928 7

Number of pupils found to be improved in 1929 5

Number of pupils who went to summer camp 1

Unimproved Group

Number of pupils found to be unimproved in 1928 3

Number of pupils remaining unimproved in 1929 3

Number recommended for sanitorium treatment 1



Number recommended for X-Ray treatment 2

\*These two pupils were X-Rayed at Lakeville. Child recommended for sanitorium treatment will not go.

NUMBER OF PUPILS IN SUMMER HEALTH CAMP 1929 3

Pounds gained 24½

Inches gained 1½

Other gains: Handicraft, sewing, habits of conduct, etc.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF MILK

To all underweights in all Central Schools from January to May. Nothing but Pasteurized milk is used in our schools and is sold for 3 cents per half-pint bottle.

Number of bottles of milk used 15,251

Number of bottles of milk sold 10,079

Number of bottles of milk given needy pupils 5,172

Money collected and deposited \$302.26

Amount given away in free milk 155.17

Balance October 1928 \$157.00

Balance August 1929 1.83

Paid Fickett Brothers 457.53

Donations received for Milk Fund for 1929-1930

Middleboro Teachers' Association \$50.00

Walter Sampson 25.00

Thimble Club Daughters 25.00

West Side P. T. A. 10.00

West Side Teachers 5.00

School Street Teachers 5.00

Bates School Teachers 5.00

Memorial High School Lunch Room 10.00

Girl Scouts 5.00

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\$140.00

#### DENTAL CLINIC

At the last Town meeting the sum of five hundred dollars was appropriated for the Dental Clinic. This clinic opened Wednesday morning on April 3rd. Clinics are held every Wednesday from nine to twelve from October to June. An

average of twelve pupils are treated at each clinic for the small fee of ten cents per child.

Dentist: Dr. R. W. Wood

Assistant: School Nurse

Number of First and Second Grade pupils examined 406

Number of pupils treated

West Side, Grade I & II 31

Union Street, Grade I & II 60

Forest Street, Grade I & II 17

North Middleboro 7

Number of pupils reporting to clinic once 75

“ “ “ “ “ “ twice 27

“ “ “ “ “ “ three times 7

“ “ “ “ “ “ four “ 5

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“ “ “ “ “ “ six “ 1

“ “ “ “ “ “ seven “ 1

Number of pupils who received Perfection Certificates 35

Number of fillings 145

Number of extractions 44

Number cleanings 17

Total treatments 206

Amount of money collected at clinic \$15.96

\*Note: Only those pupils whose parents cannot afford to send them to a local dentist are treated at this clinic. Suburban school pupils if parents, friends, or associations can transport the pupils.

#### DENTAL CLINIC DONATIONS RECEIVED

Middleboro Lodge B. P. O. E. \$25.00

Cabot Club 25.00

Forest Street P.T.A. 25.00

Soule Street Mothers' Club 5.00

Putnam Sewing Circle 5.00

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Total \$85.00

## HEARING TESTS

This year the pupils were tested for defects in Hearing by the Audiometer operated by Miss Anna J. Foley, Executive Secretary of the Plymouth County Health Association. All grades, with the exception of the first and second, were tested and re-tests given to all pupils who failed the first test. The testing proved very satisfactory and it is hoped the method may be continued in the future. Notices of failures of the re-test will be sent to parents with the hope that such children may be examined by ear specialists and defects corrected.

## DIPHTHERIA

Dr. Richard P. MacKnight, assisted by Dr. Smith, School Physician, and the School Nurse, will immunize any child from the age of 6 months to 10 years, against Diphtheria. This Diphtheria Clinic will be held in the month of March. No child will be immunized unless a certificate of permission is presented signed by the parent or guardian.

Importance of Immunization: Age is one of the most important predisposing causative factors of Diphtheria as the majority of cases occur between the ages of 6 months and 10 years.

Infectious Agent: *Bacillus diphtheria*

Source of Infection: Discharges from diphtheritic lesions of nose and throat and secretions from nose and throat of the carriers.

Mode of Transmission: Directly by personal contact with cases or carriers and infected milk.

Incubation Period: Two to Five days.

Period of Communicability: Three-fourths of cases two weeks.

Prevention: Toxin-Anti-Toxin-Immunization.

Help us protect the little children of Middleboro from this Highly Infectious Disease.

## SMALLPOX

During the first few months of this year, Dr. A. V. Smith and myself made plans to vaccinate as many pupils as possi-

ble in the Surburban schools in hopes of making at least one of these schools 100% vaccinated. In this manner we also hoped we would stimulate an interest in the importance and necessity of vaccination in all schools and pre-school pupils. I placed the order for these vaccination certificates in the printer's office but during the process of printing these, in the month of April, the Smallpox epidemic came upon us. It is needless to say the cards served a very needy purpose at that time.

Within a short period of time this acute infectious disease was controlled by the faithful services rendered by our State District Health Officer, Dr. Richard P. MacKnight, assisted by Dr. Oscar Dudley and Dr. George Sullivan. Others who deserved much credit were our Health Officer John T. Connor, all local doctors, nurses, the Superintendent of Schools, volunteer workers from adult and school life. It is true Middleboro is now the safest town in the State to live in from a Health standpoint with reference to Smallpox as we are practically 100% vaccinated. No pupil is now admitted to enter school without a certificate of successful vaccination signed by a physician.

#### OTHER DONATIONS RECEIVED

##### FOR NEEDY CHILDREN

Middleboro Lodge B.P.O.E.	\$88.32
Junior Red Cross	35.00
Junior Red Cross	20.00
Thimble Club Daughters	5.00
Two Wool Blankets	
One baby's layette	
Nemasket Club	3.00
Clothing	

##### SUMMER CAMP AT PLYMOUTH COUNTY HOSPITAL

Senior Red Cross	25.00
Clothing	5.00
Junior Red Cross	20.00

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Total Donations	\$201.32
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Respectfully submitted,

HELEN B. PASZTOR, R. N. School Nurse



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Middleboro, Mass.  
December 31, 1929

J. Stearns Cushing  
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Sir:

Nineteen hundred twenty-nine has been an unusual year from a health standpoint in the schools and not as many students have been kept away from their school program by reason of quarantine from contagious diseases.

The School Board have accepted the State Law whereby no unvaccinated child is allowed to attend school.

Dr. MacKnight, our district health officer, with the assistance of myself and Miss Pasztor, the School Nurse, are making plans whereby all the students of the two lower grades together with the pre-school children, may, with the consent of their parents be immunized against Diphtheria. All parents and older students should insist that this be done as it protects the younger and lessens the liability of quarantine for the older.

The numerous cases of contagious disease that we have had have centered in one or two schools. I wish the building at Union Street could soon be replaced by a modern structure.

I wish to thank all the physicians, teachers, and nurses who assisted in vaccinating all our school pupils in the one day. I wish to thank all connected with the schools for their thoughtful advice and assistance.

Miss Pasztor, our School Nurse, is constantly working and continually planning for the health of all our students and deserves unstinted support.

A. VINCENT SMITH, M. D.

School Physician

School	Pupils Examined	Teeth		Tonsil & Adenoid	
		De- fects	Cor- rections	De- fects	Cor- rections
Memorial High	533	23	44	9	27
Bates	331	50	35	19	16
School Street	358	7	45	18	32
Union Street	120	8	0	12	2
West Side	198	11	8	10	6
Forest Street	47	2	0	7	3
Waterville	23	2	0	1	0
Soule	26	2	0	2	1
Thompsonville	18	3	1	1	0
Green	37	1	0	4	1
Wappanuckett	23	0	2	1	1
Rock	25	5	0	0	0
South Middleboro	39	1	2	2	0
Thomastown	26	0	3	4	1
Pleasant Street	23	1	1	2	0
Pratt Free	10	1	1	0	0
Plymouth Street	24	4	0	3	0
Purchade	43	3	1	1	4
Totals	1904	124	143	96	94

A. VINCENT SMITH, M. D.

School Physician

## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE

Middleboro, Mass.  
December 31, 1929

J. Stearns Cushing  
Superintendent of Schools  
Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my first annual report as Supervisor of Attendance for the year ending December 31, 1929.

School	Clothing & Shoes	Sickness	Working Permits	Truancy	Other Reasons
Senior High		7	5	6	
Bates		6		10	
School Street	2	9		4	
West Side	6	10		5	
Purchade		6			2
Plymouth Street		2			
Pleasant Street		4			
Rock		6			
South Middleboro		3			
Thomastown					
Waterville		2			
Thompson Street					
Wappanuckett		6			
Union Street		6			
Totals	8	67	5	25	2

Employment certificates investigated	5
Number of homes visited	88
Visits to schools	56

I wish to thank the Superintendent of Schools, J. Stearns Cushing, the Teachers, Miss Pasztor, and parents for their hearty cooperation with me in the work.

Respectfully,

JOHN T. CONNOR,  
Supervisor of Attendance

# SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

## Financial Report, December 31st, 1929

### Receipts

Tuition	\$7,950 .55	
Sale of Books	.68	
Miscellaneous	4 .88	
Commonwealth of Mass. Included in Income Tax	19,012 .50	
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Total		26,968 .61

### Disbursements

Administrative Salaries		
Supt.	\$4,000 .00	
General	3,579 .99	
Administration Expenses	3,095 .44	
Teachers Salaries	84,460 .71	
Text Books & Supplies	5,705 .08	
Tuition	870 .40	
Transportation	15,881 .38	
Janitors Services	6,971 .12	
Fuel & Light	5,224 .18	
Maintenance Buildings & Grounds	3,620 .14	
Furniture & Furnishings	670 .37	
Other Expenses	58 .15	
Correction-1928 Transportation	1,163 .10	
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Total		\$135,300 .06

### School St. School Heating System

Appropriation	\$9,000 .00
Drafts	8,088 .66
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Balance transferred to Building Maintenance	911 .34



## STATISTICS OF SCHOOL YEAR 1928-1929

SCHOOL	Number Teachers	Number Pupils	Non-resident Pupils	Av. Daily Attendance	Av. Daily Membership	Percent Attendance
Memorial High	18	513	87	457.1	487.3	93.8
Bates	9	323	3	287.3	303.8	94.0
School Street	8	379	1	333.2	359.2	92.7
Grade III		47	0	42.0	46.4	90.5
Grade III		49	1	42.6	46.0	92.5
Grade IV		46	0	40.2	43.5	92.2
Grade IV		41	0	36.5	39.7	91.9
Grade V		54	0	48.8	51.8	93.9
Grade V		53	0	46.7	50.4	92.8
Grade VI		44	0	38.2	40.0	95.4
Grade VI		45	0	38.2	41.4	92.2
West Side	6	220	0	190.0	210.7	91.4
Grade I		26	0	21.1	26.0	89.3
Grade II		34	0	27.7	31.4	88.2
Grade III		33	0	30.1	32.0	94.2
Grade IV		47	0	41.6	45.4	91.6
Grade V		42	0	36.2	39.1	92.6
Grade VI		38	0	33.3	36.8	92.2
Union Street	4	125	2	103.1	116.6	88.1
Grade I		26	0	22.2	25.1	88.2
Grade I		29	0	24.8	28.3	87.5
Grade II		34	0	27.4	31.0	88.1
Grade II		36	2	28.7	32.2	88.8
Forest Street	2	63	0	51.8	56.1	91.2
Grade I		28	0	21.3	22.8	90.7
Grade II		35	0	30.5	33.3	91.7
Green	1	36	3	30.4	32.0	95.1
Pleasant Street	1	18	0	15.5	16.3	95.1
Plymouth Street	1	24	0	19.7	21.6	91.0
Pratt Free	1	19	1	17.5	18.7	93.4
Purchade	1	45	0	39.4	42.4	92.8
Rock	1	34	0	25.8	29.9	86.1
Soule	1	12	2	10.7	11.8	91.1
So. Middleboro	1	31	0	26.3	29.3	89.7
Thomastown	1	20	0	17.3	18.5	93.4
Thompsonville	1	36	2	26.6	29.3	91.0
Wappanuckett	1	20	0	17.7	20.0	85.5
Waterville	1	34	0	24.2	25.3	87.0
Totals	59	1952	104	1694.8	1830.1	92.7

## LIST OF TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1929

## High School

- Alfred R. Mack, 23 Rice Street, Principal  
 Leonard O. Tillson, 11 North Street, Sub-Master, Science  
 Walter G. Hicks, 17 School Street, Head Commercial  
 Department  
 Ernest E. Thomas, 43 Pierce Street, Head History De-  
 partment  
 Herbert L. Wilber, Rock, Latin  
 Joseph R. Hyman, Y.M.C.A., Spanish, Algebra  
 Roland C. MacGown, 9 Coombs Street, Gen. Science,  
 Algebra, Supervisor of Athletics  
 Grace Allen, 65 Pearl Street, French  
 Chrystal M. Chase, 41 School Street, English  
 Florence Culhane, 81 Pearl Street, Commercial  
 Alice D. Brawn, Wareham Street, Commercial Geography  
 English  
 Anna C. Erickson, 61 Wood Street, Mathematics  
 Esther L. Moore, 15 Reland Street, Commercial  
 Doris P. Chase, 87 Pearl Street, English  
 Irene M. Wentworth, 182 North Main Street, English,  
 Ancient History  
 Abby Rugg Field, 182 North Main Street, English,  
 Algebra, Physical Training  
 Bertha M. Cross, 9 Coombs Street, Modern History  
 Lillian M. O'Neil, 21 Pearl Street, Commercial  
 H. Beatrice Randall, Barden Hill Road, Commercial,  
 Citizenship  
 Walter Sampson, 25 School St., Principal Emeritus

## Bates School

- Henry B. Burkland, Rock, Principal  
 Mark R. Shibbles, Barden Hill Road, Assistant Principal,  
 Science, Physical Education

Martinia K. Donahue, 6 Reland Street, Music, English  
 Lucy E. Merrihew, 22 E. Grove Street, Mathematics  
 Olive M. Kidd, 7 Pearl Street, Mathematics  
 Elizabeth H. Benson, 12 Benton Street, English  
 Hattie M. Jones, 56 Everett Street, Social Studies, Music  
 Faye H. Dean, 63 Oak Street, English  
 Freida F. Hartmann, North Middleboro, Art, English,  
 Hygiene  
 Winifred S. Carver, North Middleboro, Grade 6

### School Street School

Lottie N. Lang, 58 Union Street, Grade 3, Principal  
 Bessie B. Bailey, 15 Forest Street, Grade 3  
 Elsie L. McCarthy, 514 Center Street, Grade 4  
 Eleanor Thomas, South Middleboro, Grade 4  
 Esther M. Spooner, 3 Rock Street, Grade 5  
 Alice R. Begley, 7 Benton Street, Grade 5  
 M. Alice Jones, Rock, Grade 6  
 Edith Frost, Wood Street, Grade 6

### West Side School

Nellie L. Sawyer, 361 Arnold Street, New Bedford, Grade  
 6, Principal  
 Mary R. Hammond, Barden Hill Road, Grade 5  
 Rose Maley, Sandwich, Mass., Grade 4  
 Margaret C. Peck, 9 Courtland Street, Grade 3  
 Etta W. Toothaker, 29 Oak Street, Grade 2  
 Catherine F. Coen, 81 Pearl Street, Grade 1

### Union Street School

Eleanor A. Barden, 85 Pearl Street, Grade 2, Principal  
 Marjorie McClusky, 106 Pearl Street, Grade 2  
 Sara E. Matheson, 91 Oak Street, Grade 1  
 Mabel I. Guidoboni, 177 Soule Street, Grade 1

## Forest Street School

Flora M. Clark, 12 Forest Street, Grade 1, Principal  
 Raye F. Guidoboni, 269 North Main Street, Grade 2

## Suburban Schools

Maude DeMaranville, Lakeville, Pleasant Street School  
 Dorothy B. Robinson, 9 Warren Avenue, Plymouth Street  
 School

Effie D. Tucker, 28 Oak Street, Purchase School  
 Leah M. Boutin, South Middleboro, Thompsonville  
 School

Margaret Sullivan, Taunton Street, Soule School  
 Bernice C. Shaw, Plympton, Waterville School  
 Annie Lee, 19½ Pearl Street, Green School  
 Elizabeth Drew, 24 Forest Street, Rock School  
 Elena Manley, Plympton, Thomastown School  
 Madeleine A. Duncklee, 10 Barrows Street, So. Middle-  
 boro School

Ruth B. Maxim, Wareham Street, Wappanuckett School  
 Evelyn B. Robinson, North Middleboro, Pratt Free  
 School

## Supervisors

Music—Wirt B. Phillips, 45 Clearway Street, Boston  
 Art—Sylvia G. Comley, 86 Pearl Street  
 Penmanship—Walter G. Hicks, 17 School Street

## Principal Emeritas, High School

Walter Sampson, 28 School Street



## JANITORS

Memorial High School	Charles H. Goodwin
Bates and Union Street Schools	Warren Jefferson
School Street School	George A. Cox
West Side School	Daniel F. McCarthy
Forest Street School	Frank W. Gibbs
Green School	Edward Buchanan
Pleasant Street School	William Brooks
Purchade School	Elias Marchant
Plymouth Street School	Henry Zion
Thompsonville School	George Beals
Waterville School	Perley Pike
Wappanuckett School	Roger Wall
South Middleboro School	Ralph Tripp
Rock School	Chester Vickery
Soule School	Frank Wiksten
Thomastown School	Charles Wrightington

## SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1929

## SUBURBAN DISTRICTS

Years	Males	Females	Total
5-6	51	34	
7-13	185	137	
14-15	47	52	506

## CENTRAL DISTRICT

Years	Males	Females	Total
5-7	108	93	
7-13	377	403	
14-15	126	119	1226
Grand Total			<hr/> 1732

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING OF TEACHERS

Teacher	Normal School College Attended	No. Years Completed	No Years Teach'g Ex
J. Stearns Cushing	Harvard, Bridgewater	2, 4	12
Sylvia G. Comley	Mass. Normal Art	2	6
Elsie L. McCarthy	Hyannis	2	4
Catherine M. Smith	Worcester	2	2
Alice R. Begley	Bridgewater	2	9
Edith Frost	"	2	10
Ruth B. Maxim	"	2	4
Raye F. Guidoboni	"	3	10
Marjorie McClusky	"	2	4
Sara E. Matheson	"	2	11
Dorothy B. Robinson	"	2	6
Olive M. Kidd	Lowell	2	9
A. Elena Manley	Bridgewater	2	13
Mary R. Hammond	"	2	6
Rose E. Maley	Hyannis	2	10
Blanche K. Howell	"	2	16
Annie D. Lee	Bridgewater	2	3
Alfred R. Mack	Brown, Bridgewater	2, 4	10
Leonard O. Tillson	Bridgewater	1	29
H. Beatrice Randall	Boston Univ.	4	2
Roland C. MacGown	Dartmouth	4	4
Walter G. Hicks	Salem	4	2
Herbert L. Wilber	Boston Univ.	7	3
Alice D. Brawn	"	4	7
Mary A. Wood	Bridgewater	4	2
Anna C. Erickson	Colby	4	4
Abby Rugg Field	Tufts	4	15
Chrystal M. Chase	Ohio Wesleyan	3	21
Ernest E. Thomas	Dartmouth	4	10
Elizabeth H. Benson	Bridgewater	1	27
Eva Grant	Leslie	2	2
Flora M. Clark	Wheelock	2	26
Bertha M. Cross	Boston Univ.	4	1
Madeleine A. Duncklee	North Adams	2	1
Mabel I. Guidoboni	Bridgewater	3	1
Russell B. Marshall	"	4	1
Lillian M. O'Neill	Bryant & Stratton	2	0
Joseph R. Hyman	Brown, Dartmouth	2, 2	0
Wirt B. Phillips	N. E. Conservatory	1	10
Catherine F. Coen	Salem	2	3
Greta T. Becker	Leslie	2	1
Lillian M. Tinkham	Bridgewater	3	20

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING OF TEACHERS

Teacher	No. Years completed in			Related Oc.	No. Weeks Summer	No. Years Teaching Ex.
	College	Normal	Trg. School			
Etta W. Toothaker		1			15	21
Nellie L. Sawyer	1	1			24	20
Henry B. Burkland					15	8
Lucy E. Merrihew			1			31
Winifred S. Carver	1					5
Margaret E. Peck						6
Martinia K. Donahue			1		4	19
Hattie M. Jones			1			30
Faye H. Deane			1		4	24
Maude DeMaranville			1			22
Eleanor A. Barden			1		20	35
M. Alice Jones					20	10
Esther M. Spooner					10	8
Bessie B. Bailey		1				25
Lottie N. Lang			1		16	27
Effie D. Tucker			1		6	16
Grace Allen	2				30	36
Esther L. Moore				9	6	8
Florence Culhane			1	3	7	9
Bernice C. Shaw						5

PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT OF TEACHERS  
SUMMER 1929

School and Teacher	Where	Courses Taken
HIGH		
Alfred R. Mack	Harvard Graduate School	2
Anna Erickson	" " "	2
H. Beatrice Randall	Boston University	2
Lillian M. O'Neil	" "	2
Ernest E. Thomas	" "	2
Herbert L. Wilber	" "	2
Roland C. MacGown	Mass. Inst. of Technology	2
Bertha M. Cross	Leland Powers Summer School	10
Doris P. Chase	European Travel	

## BATES

Henry B. Burkland	Boston University	1
Martinia K. Donahue	" "	1
Harriett M. Jones	" "	1
Winifred S. Carver	" "	1
Elizabeth H. Benson	Massachusetts Univ. Ex.	1

## SCHOOL STREET

Esther M. Spooner	North Adams Normal	2
M. Alice Jones	" " "	2
Alice R. Begley	Boston University	1

## WEST SIDE

Etta W. Toothaker	North Adams Normal	2
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## UNION STREET

Eleanor A. Barden	Boston University	1
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## FOREST STREET

Raye F. Guidoboni	Boston University	1
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## GREEN

Annie D. Lee	Hyannis Normal	2
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## SUPERVISORS

Wirt B. Phillips	Boston University	1
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## TEACHERS ON TENURE LIST JUNE 1929

## HIGH SCHOOL

Alfred R. Mack  
Leonard O. Tillson  
Grace Allen  
Chrystal M. Chase  
Roland C. MacGown  
Herbert L. Wilber  
Florence Culhane  
Alice D. Brawn  
Anne C. Erickson  
Esther L. Moore

## BATES SCHOOL

Henry B. Burkland  
Elizabeth H. Benson  
Lucy E. Merrihew  
Olive M. Kidd  
Hattie M. Jones  
Martinia K. Donahue  
Faye H. Deane  
Winifred S. Carver



SCHOOL STREET SCHOOL	WEST SIDE SCHOOL
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Lottie N. Lang	Nellie L. Sawyer
Edith Fost	Mary R. Hammond
Alice R. Begley	Rose Maley
Esther M. Spooner	Margaret E. Peck
Bessie B. Bailey	Etta W. Toothaker

M. Alice Jones

Elsie L. McCarthy

Catherine M. Smith (resigned)	SUBURBAN SCHOOLS
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Maude DeMaranville

UNION STREET SCHOOL

Eleanor A. Barden

Marjorie McCluskey

Blanche K. Howell (resig'd)

Elena Manley

Effie D. Tucker

Bernice C. Shaw

FOREST STREET SCHOOL

Flora M. Clark

Raye F. Guidoboni

Ruth B. Maxim

### SUPERVISORS

Wirt B. Phillips

Sylvia G. Comley

### CHANGES OF TEACHERS

January 1, 1929 to December 31, 1929

### WITHDRAWALS

Mary Wood, High School

Russell B. Marshall, Bates School

Catherine M. Smith, School Street School

Greta T. Becker, West Side School

Lillian M. Tinkham, West Side School

Eva Grant, Union Street School

Blanche K. Howell, Thompsonville, School

## APPOINTMENTS

Irene M. Wentworth, High School  
 Lillian M. Tinkham, West Side School  
 Catherine F. Coen, West Side School  
 Margaret Sullivan, Soule School  
 Leah M. Boutin, Thompsonville School  
 Elizabeth Drew, Rock School  
 Freida F. Hartmann, Bates School  
 Mark R. Shibles, Bates School  
 Eleanor Thomas, School Street School

## TRANSFERS

Mabel I. Guidoboni from Rock to Union Street  
 Lillian M. O'Neil from Soule to High School

## PRESENT SCHEDULE OF SALARIES

## TEACHERS

Superintendent of Schools		\$4000 .00
Supervisor of Music, 3 days a week		1800 .00
Supervisor of Art		1700 .00
Principal of High School		3200 .00
Sub-Master of High School		2600 .00
Head of Commercial Department	1800 .00	2100 .00
Supervisor of Penmanship	300 .00	
Head of History Department		2300 .00
Teacher-Coach		2200 .00
High School Teachers		
Two		1800 .00
One		1700 .00
Six		1600 .00
Three		1500 .00
One		1400 .00
One		1200 .00

Principal of Junior High School	2000 .00
Assistant Principal of Junior High School	1600 .00
Junior High School Teachers	
Two	1300 .00
Five	1200 .00
One	1100 .00
Principal of School Street School	1500 .00
Principal of West Side School	1500 .00
Principal of Union Street School	1500 .00
Principal of Forest Street School	1350 .00
Central Grade Teachers	
One	1300 .00
Fourteen	1200 .00
One	1100 .00
Suburban Teachers	
Eight	1200 .00
Three	1000 .00

## JANITORS

Senior High School	1600 .00
Junior High and Union Street Schools	1450 .00
School Street School	1200 .00
West Side School	1000 .00
Forest Street School	340 .00
Rock School	\$4 .00 a school week
Purchade School	4 .00 “ “ “
Green School	2 .50 “ “ “
South Middleboro School	2 .50 “ “ “
Thomastown School	2 .00 “ “ “
Pleasant Street School	2 .00 “ “ “
Plymouth Street School	2 .00 “ “ “
Thompsonville School	2 .00 “ “ “
Soule School	2 .00 “ “ “
Waterville School	1 .00 “ “ “
Wappanuckett School	1 .00 “ “ “

## SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION

		Rate per school day	Pupils car- ried	Miles travelled per day
North Middleboro District		\$8.00	66	12
North Middleboro to Center		10.00	142	62
Thomastown District		5.00	24	12
Thomastown to Center		8.00	18	25
Thompsonville District		6.00	28	16
*France District	} to Center	17.95	152	90
Highland District				
So. Middleboro District				
Waterville District	} to Center	5.00	134	27
Soule District				
Green District				
Wappanuckett District		6.00	30	18
Wappanuckett to Center		4.00	10	12
Thompsonville to Center		3.00	12	22

\*December, January, February \$2.25 additional.

## SCHOOL SESSIONS

Memorial High School from 8:10 to 1:25.

Bates School from 9:00 to 11:45 and from 1:00 to 3:30.

Central Elementary Schools from 9:00 to 11:45 and from 1:15 to 3:30.

## SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN USE JANUARY 1, 1930

One room buildings	12
Two room buildings	1
“ “ “ (portable)	1
Four room buildings	1
Buildings of five or more rooms	4
Total number of buildings	19



# GRADUATING EXERCISES

Class of 1929

Memorial High School

TOWN HALL

Middleboro, Massachusetts

Wednesday Evening June 19, 1929

At Eight O'Clock

Class Flower: Wisteria

Class Mottó: Altiora Quaere

("Seek Higher Things.")

Class Colors: Lavender and Silver

## ORDER OF EXERCISES

March of the Graduates Goldman

M. H. S. Orchestra

Prayer

Rev. A. G. Cummings

Salutatory and Essay: The Importance of Science

Roger M. Leonard

Music: A Southern Hush Song

L. Lynn

Girls' Glee Club

Reading: A Chip Off the Old Block

J. W. Thompkins

Dorothy E. Childs

Class Statistics

Elinor M. Kinsman

Music: Trumpet Solo, "Columbia" Fantasia

Arthur L. Whitten

Poem: The Price of Freedom

Frances Warren

Music: Piano Solo, Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12

Bessie M. Veazie

Essay: English

D. Evelyn Sylvia

Music: Nellie Was a Lady

Stephen Foster

Boys' Quartette

Class Prophecy

Robert C. Long

Albert C. Merrihew

Essay and Valedictory: Past, Present and Future of the  
Calendar

Lois B. Thomas

Singing of Class Ode:

Words by Cheridah A. Paquin

Directed by George Weeman

Presentations

Awards

Cabot Club Essay Prizes

Washington and Franklin Medal

Legion Medal

Scholarships

Cabot Club Scholarship

Anne White Washburn Scholarship

Diplomas

Allan R. Thatcher, Member of School Committee

Benediction

### CLASS ODE

Tune: The End of a Perfect Day

We stand at the end of a garden fair

Where our dreams at last have come true.

Here the golden hours were the blossoms rare,

And our fears were but morning dew.

But alas! as we sing with our garlands gay,

We know that we soon must part.

The voice uplifts with a gladsome note

While the song sighs in the heart.

And what are the gifts of our garden fair—  
 All the joy that the years have brought.  
 For the seeds we've sown and tended with care  
 Are flowering now into thought.  
 The world has its paths that we soon will tread;  
 That criss-cross divide and part.  
 Oh, the voice—let it ring with a gladsome note,  
 The song has a sigh at heart.

Cheridah Paquin.

## CORPS OF TEACHERS

Walter Sampson, Principal Emeritus

Alfred R. Mack, Principal

Leonard O. Tillson  
 Herbert L. Wilber  
 Roland C. MacGown  
 Walter G. Hicks  
 Joseph R. Hyman  
 Ernest E. Thomas  
 Grace Allen  
 Chrystal M. Chase

Florence Culhane  
 Alice D. Brawn  
 Anna C. Erickson  
 Esther L. Moore  
 Doris P. Chase  
 Mary A. Wood  
 Abby R. Field  
 Bertha M. Cross

H. Beatrice Randall

Wirt B. Phillips, Music  
 Sylvia G. Comley, Art

## CLASS OF 1929

### CLASSICAL COURSE

Eleanor Kathryn Brown  
 \*Dorothy Eva Childs  
 \*Evelyn Stuart Clark  
 Arlene Louise Farrington  
 \*Raymond Wilfred Gerrior  
 \*George Narcisse Harlow  
 Helen Isabelle Hoard

Eleanor May Kinsman  
 \*Mary Gertrude McGuire  
 \*Elizabeth Mary Roht  
 Florence Arnold Sellers  
 \*\*\*Lois Bowker Thomas  
 \*Barbara Blakeney Vinal  
 \*Frances Virginia Warren

### SCIENTIFIC COURSE

Jeanette Frances Bassett  
 Elliot Freeman Bryant  
 Albert Ransome Carey  
 Lorimer Thompson Cummings

\*Wilmont Baenziger Flanders  
 Robert Crowell Long  
 \*Arthur Lincoln Whitten  
 Stanley Anthony Zidiales

## COMMERCIAL COURSE

Evelyn Longfellow Bailey  
 Anna Mae Cox  
 Corinne Morton Cushman  
 Louise Mary Desrosiers  
 Ruth Eliza Duncklee  
 Ruth Lincoln Dunham  
 Elsie Sestine Galfre  
 Hazel Alberta Hanson  
 Arnette Florence Haywood  
 \*Annie Rose Jacintho

Ethel Bernice Keough  
 \*Mildred Frances Keyes  
 Hilda Grace MacKeen  
 Ruth Elena Manley  
 Dorothy Sheldon Maranville  
 Helen Louise Redlon  
 Ellen Campion Rogers  
 \*Norma Ernestine Smith  
 \*Bessie Mae Veazie  
 Helen Dorothy Wiksten

## GENERAL COURSE

Dana Alden Blandin  
 George Robert Borsari  
 Edmund Francis Churchill  
 Herbert Edwin Colburn  
 Ethel Stella Cole  
 Edith Anna Cronan  
 Carrie Chilson Eayrs  
 Mary Frances E. Faulkner  
 Carolyn Estelle Fish  
 Elinor Sara Fuller  
 Ellen Marguerite Gaudette  
 Robert Norwood Glidden  
 Arthur Lewis Guidaboni  
 Horace Didimo Guidaboni

Leslie Allen Hinckley  
 Alwin Crampton Jones  
 Corinne Marianne Kidd  
 Dominick Patrick Laemmo  
 \*\*Roger Melvin Leonard  
 Lillian Mary Makie  
 Albert Chester Merrihew  
 Cheridah Adelaide Paquin  
 Stella Hammond Robbins  
 William Smith  
 Vincent Andrews Sukeforth  
 John Francis Sullivan  
 \*Dorothy Evelyn Sylvia  
 George Elmer Weeman

\*Julia Agnes Wholan

\*\*\*Valedictorian

\*\*Salutatorian

\*Pro Merito

## GRADUATING EXERCISES

Grade VIII

MIDDLEBOROUGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Town Hall

Wednesday, June 12, 1929 at two o'clock

## PROGRAM

Class Motto: "Onward is our aim"

1. March, "March of the Graduates"

Fox

Bates School Orchestra

Under the direction of Wirt B. Phillips, Supervisor of  
 Music



2. Invocation  
Rev. Samuel J. A. Rock
3. Response, "Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord"  
Mendelssohn
4. Class Recitation, Middleborough Civic Creed
5. Boys' Glee Club  
"Up the Airy Mountain" Allingham-Wilson  
"Captain Jinks"
6. Oration, "Patriotism" Lyman Abbott  
Benjamin J. Bump
7. Trumpet Solo, "The Sweetest Story Ever Told"  
Stults  
Harold E. Nourse
8. Girls' Glee Club,  
"Desert Lullaby" Clark-Lorenz  
"Spring Moon" Wilson
9. Recitation (first prize, Nemasket Grange Oratory Contest)  
"Whistling in Heaven" Selected  
D. Arleen Egger
10. Pianoforte Solo, "Military Polanaise" Chopin  
Joseph C. Cleveland
11. "The Bates School Spirit" H. B. Burkland

#### Characters

The Graduate.....	Daniel Friedman
The Teacher.....	R. B. Marshall
The Parent.....	Mrs. F. W. Eldridge
English.....	Helen Maddigan
Science.....	Frank Mendosa
Social Studies.....	Thomas McFarlin
Mathematics.....	Dorothea Panesis
Music.....	Mildred Lang
Art.....	Victoria Stanley
Penmanship.....	Irene Caswell
Physical Education.....	Edgar Paun
Character Education.....	Wilfred Benoit

The Clubs: Hazel Turner, Joseph Cordeiro, Alma Hill, Margaret Norris, Virginia Burger, Alice Fuller, Ruth Lamoureux, Louise Bowman, Bernard Eldridge, Gladys Merrihew, Gerard DeBoer, Harold Moskoff, Madeline Camandona, George Nolan, Robert Tobey, Thelma Tanguay, Melba Weeman, Richard Dunham, and George Duncklee.

12. Chorus, "America Triumphant"      Holmes-Demarest
13. Awarding of Honors
  - a. Women's Christian Temperance Union Essay Prizes
  - b. Davis Medal for Excellence in Current Events.
  - c. American Legion Medal for Excellence in American History.
- Superintendent of Schools, J. Stearns Cushing
14. Presentation of Certificates by Mr. Allan R. Thatcher..
15. Class Song
 

Led by Helen Boehme
16. Benediction
 

Rev. Clara Cook Helvie
17. Exit March, "Little Corporal"      Zamecnik
 

Orchestra

## CLASS SONG

By Helen Boehme

We are singing to thee, Bates School  
 Bidding thee a fond farewell  
 All the happiness you gave us,  
 Just in words we ne'er can tell.  
 Since the first day when we came here  
 We've enjoyed you from the start.  
 We are keeping all loved memories  
 Keeping them locked in our hearts  
 Now it is the hour for parting,  
 Time for us to say good-bye  
 But we'll give to thee where e'er we'll be  
 Our loyalty, our loyalty, that ne'er will die.

## BATES SCHOOL, JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY

Henry B. Burkland Principal	Social Studies
Russell B. Marshall, Submaster.	Science
Elizabeth H. Benson	English
Sylvia G. Comley	Art
Faye H. Deane	Literature
Martinia K. Donahue	English
Harriet M. Jones	Social Studies
Olive M. Kidd	Mathematics
Lucy E. Merrihew	Mathematics
Wirt B. Phillips	Music

## BATES SCHOOL

## List of Graduates—June. 1929

Alden, Maybell P.	Gerrior, Lillian E.
Allen, Ernest C.	Gifford, Gladys M.
Anderson, Frederick L.	Gillius, Annie R.
Baker, Lawrence G.	Goodreau, Arthur E.
Balkam, A. Reginald	Grossman, Edna E.
Benoit, Wilfred I.	Guerin, Rita A.
Benson, Charles C.	Guidaboni, Caesar
Bernier, Edward	Hepel, Jeanette M.
Berry, Walter E.	Heleen, Edwin O.
Boehme, Helen F.	Hill, Alma M.
Bowley, Richard	Hill, Norman H.
Bowman, Louise	Hiseler, Mildred E.
Brennan, Marjorie R.	Howe, J. Francis
Bump, Benjamin J.	Hulley, Dorothy J.
Burger, Virginia C.	Iampietro, Dora L.
Burt, Ida M.	Inglese, Russell D.
Cabral, Bernard F.	Jackson, Warren C.
Camandona, Madeline	Jessup, Willard A.
Carver, Violette L.	Kelly, Frank G.
Caswell, Irene S.	Keough, Mildred C.
Cleveland, Joseph C.	Kinsman, Priscilla F.
Conant, Gordon C.	Lamoureaux, Ruth E.
Conant, Lillian M.	Lavallee, Albert F.
Cordeiro, Joseph F.	Lang, Mildred V.
Curley, Leo D.	Mackiewicz, Joseph J.
DeBoer, Gerard W.	Maddigan, Helen E.
DeMoranville, Marjorie	Main, Stuart R.
Donner, Harold J.	Malaguti, Francis J.
Duncklee, George N.	Malenfant, Henry J.
Dunham, Richard L.	Marra, Demetria L.
Egger, D. Arleen	Martin, Glorai E.
Eldridge, Bernard H.	McFarlin, Thomas H.
England, LeRoy A.	McLaughlin, Robert J.
Faietti, Eleanor R.	Mendoza, Frank J.
Finneran, Bertha M.	Merrihew, Gladys M.
Finneran, William	Moles, Nellie T.
Fish, Kenneth A.	Morrison, Donald A.
Friedman, Daniel	Morrone, Angeline M.
Fuller, Alice E.	Moskoff, Harold L.
Gamache, Anna M.	Nolan, George H.
Gangone, Anthony	Norris, Margaret L.

Norton, Lindora A.  
 Nourse, Harold E.  
 Panesis, Dorothea  
 Paun, Edgar A.  
 Pawlowski, Josephine M.  
 Pearce, Margaret E.  
 Penna, Carmelina  
 Pierce, Bertha Y.  
 Perkins, Bernice A.  
 Phillips, Lillian E.  
 Place, Jessie M.  
 Powell, Margery E.  
 Pratt, Gladys H.  
 Rais, Annie I.  
 Rais, Joseph  
 Remillard, George O.  
 Roberts, Anna M.  
 Rondelli, Edmund C.  
 Rondelli, Edward J.  
 Sabalewski, Victoria

Souza, Charles A.  
 Stanley, Nancy  
 Stanley, Victoria  
 Strojny, Amelia A.  
 Stuart, Ivan F.  
 Tanguay, Thelma M.  
 Teceno, Beatrice M.  
 Thatcher, Ronald G.  
 Thomas, Florence A.  
 Thomas, Gladys D.  
 Thomas, Myron B.  
 Tobey, Robert L.  
 Turner, Hazel S.  
 Warren, Mildred S.  
 Warren, Priscilla F.  
 Weeman, Evelyn D.  
 Weeman, N. Melba  
 Westgate, Lawrence B.  
 Winterhauler, Mildred H.  
 Young, Bertha M.

Zidialis, Polly



## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the Twenty-first annual report and detailed statement of the duties performed by the Police Dept. of the Town of Middleborough, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1929.

The past year has been an unusually busy one. There being a large increase of automobiles, going through the town, which kept the Police Dept. very busy.

I recommend that the department be equipped with new telephone boxes, also new wiring for the red light system, as the old equipment is getting very poor, and is out of order a good part of the time.

## CHIEF OF POLICE

Alden C. Sisson

## SERGEANT

William Murdock

## PATROLMEN

Alton R. Rogers

Charles H. Rogers

Thomas L. Pittsley

## CLERK

Chester Rice

## SPECIAL OFFICERS

• Paul Anderson

Myron A. Bump

Bert S. Brown

George A. Barney

William O. Casey

John Callan

E. Kimbal Harrison

Samuel Hathaway

Warren E. Jefferson

Louis Littlejohn

S. Edward Matthews

Archer S. Phillips

Arthur B. Caswell  
 Walter R. Carmichael  
 Elmer Gay  
 Robert E. Hewitt  
 Frank P. Stanton  
 Patrick McMahon

Lorenzo W. Rice  
 John J. Sullivan  
 Alton T. Smith  
 Ralph Sampson  
 Ernest St. Armand  
 James J. Vigers

Jesse C. Wilbur

## OFFENCES

	Males	Females	Total
Assault and battery	10	0	10
Bastardy	2	0	2
Breaking and entering and larceny	5	0	5
Capias	2	0	2
Causing injuries to property	15	0	15
Drunkenness	53	1	54
Disturbing the peace	4	0	4
Gaming	6	0	6
Keeping and exposing of liquor	4	0	4
Liquor nuisance	2	0	2
Lodgers	14	0	14
Lewd, lascivious person	1	3	4
Motor Vehicle Violation	98	0	98
Manufacturing of liquor	2	0	2
Neglect of children	1	0	1
Operating under the influence	14	0	14
Violation of game law	5	0	5
Non-support	2	0	2
Larceny	24	0	24
Violation of weekly wage law	2	0	2
Vagrancy	1	0	1
Track Walking	4	0	4
Keeping a lodging house without a license	0	1	1

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ambulance calls	9
Arrest for out of town officers	11
Amount of fines imposed in Middleboro Court	\$5,235.00
Automobile accidents investigated	117
Automobile accidents fatal	0
Automobile accidents persons injured	68
Buildings found open	129
Cases investigated	525
Disturbances quelled without arrest	11
Defective sidewalks reported	2
Defective water-pipes reported	1
Defective street lights reported	31
Dogs shot	15
Lost children restored	2
Liquor search warrants served	6
Liquor seizures	6
Number of arrest during the year	128
Males	122
Females	4
Minors	2
Non-residents	60
Native born	49
Foreign-born	19
Number of commitments	14
Number of adult cases in Middleboro Court	420
Number of Minor cases in Middleboro Court	30
Number of non-residents in Middleboro Court	195
Nuisances	4
Runaways from home	2
Search warrants for property served	2
Summons served	352
Street obstructions removed	5
Sale of second-hand automobiles reported	1,624
Value of stolen property recovered and restored	\$2,000.00
Warning tags on autos	130

## MOTORCYCLE REPORT

Cost of operation, of Indian Motorcycle,	
gas, oil, repairs	\$31.78
Cases in Court	45
Auto violators reported to Police Headquarters	51
Fines taken in the Court	\$590.00
Assisted motorist	9
Arrest	19
Accidents reported	18
Disturbance quelled without arrest	6
Mileage	5205
Obstructions on highway removed	3
Summons served	25

## CONCLUSION

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation for the assistance that the operators of motor vehicles have given me in the past year. And due to the cooperation of the public with the police department, we have not had one fatal accident in the past twelve months. And have had fewer accidents and injuries to person than we have had in previous years.

I wish to thank the Superintendent of Schools for the system he has installed into the schools for the education of the children in regards to traffic.

I wish to thank the operators of the local telephone exchange for the good service given the department, which has been a great assistance in our work.

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation for the assistance and cooperation given me by the Honorable Board of Selectmen, the Fourth District Court, the people of the Town of Middleborough, and the officers of the Department, who have helped to make the administration of this department a success.

Respectfully submitted,

ALDEN C. SISSON,  
Chief of Police





**Middleboro Stand Pipe  
Built 1915**



## WATER DEPARTMENT

There have been more improvements in this department this year than for several past years.

At the annual town meeting \$11,000.00 was voted to extend an eight inch pipe from the end of the line on Nemas-ket St. at the river bridge, for a distance of one mile through Plymouth St. into the Warrentown district. Plans and specifications were prepared and bids called for to be opened April 30th. Six bids were submitted, the lowest being the Ideal Contracting Co. of Boston. The contract was awarded to them May 7th, and work was begun May 20th and proceeded slowly until August 27th when the job was accepted. The amount asked for to make this extension, including the meters and services was \$13,000.00, but the meeting saw fit to appropriate only \$11,000.00, then the additional money needed to complete the job had to come from the water department, thus necessitating a transfer from reserve to cover an overdraft. The total cost of the main line including all labor and materials was \$11,428.91; the cost of services and meters \$1,434.99, making a total cost of this job \$12,863.90, as against the \$13,000.00 originally estimated.

## WATERPROOFING THE STANDPIPE

After a thorough investigation by this office and consulting with Mr. Sampson of Weston & Sampson, Consulting Engineers of Boston, it was decided that the waterproofing of our standpipe could best be accomplished by the use of the Ironite Method as applied by the Western Waterproofing Company of Boston. A contract was entered into with them July 26th to furnish all labor and materials and do all the work necessary to line the inside of the standpipe. The water was drawn from the tank Aug. 11th and work progressed rapidly until completion and the tank refilled Sept. 15th. The contract price for doing this work was \$7000.00,



including a five year guarantee of its water tightness. The need for waterproofing was that the seepage through the horizontal construction cracks caused by the cement setting during the time the forms were reset had saturated the outer layer of concrete, causing it to spall off in quite large patches and to a considerable depth, but not so deep as to expose the steel re-enforcing of the structure, but getting dangerously near it. The method used was to wire-brush and thoroughly clean and wash the inside, then with air drills to cut out all the horizontal cracks and what few vertical cracks there were in a V shape about three inches on the face and from three to four inches deep. These cuts were then filled with successive layers of Ironite until flush with the face. The whole inside including the bowl, which had shown no signs of seepage, was given two coats of Ironite of a total thickness of  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{3}{8}$  inches, after which two brush coats of specially prepared asphalt was applied. The tank was then filled for a test and only a few moist spots showed on the outside. These soon dried out and up to the present time the tank seems to be perfectly tight.

Ironite is a combination of cement, sand and iron fillings. The object of the iron is to form rust which seals the hair cracks which come in all cement as it sets.

To repair the outside, all the loose and disintegrated concrete was removed and this space filled with Ironite. Contrary to expectation, the cement in the inside was found to be as hard and in as perfect condition as when the tank was built, and the cracks at the construction joints only showed a very fine hair line.

During the five weeks the standpipe was empty we had of course to depend on direct pumping for our water supply and fire protection.

As the pumping capacity at the station is only 1600 G. P. M. we did not feel that this was sufficient for fire protection, so a Maxim 1000 G. P. M. motor fire truck was located at the pumping station to compensate for the 500,000 gal. reserve supply which is always held in the standpipe.



A suction line was laid from the river to the fire pump and the discharge lines connected to a fire hydrant near the station. The Maxim Company arranged to have an operator at all times ready to answer a bell alarm, thus assuring us of the services of a skilled operator in case of necessity.

To safeguard the safety of the water supply in case it was necessary to introduce raw water into the system a chlorinating machine was installed on the suction line of the auxiliary pump. This all added materially to the expense of the repair of the standpipe, but we feel that the cost of this insurance was justified. Fortunately we were not called upon to use the extra pump as no fires occurred while the standpipe was out of commission.

The cost of waterproofing was \$7,000.00, repairs on the outside \$1079.11, and additional pumping station expense \$1880.16, making a total cost of \$9959.27.

The other work of the water department included the usual new services, renewing old ones, testing and repairing main gates, testing and repairing hydrants, testing and repairing curb gates, and changing and repairing all meters that have been in service more than five years.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. GOODALE,

Town Manager and Superintendent

## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1929.

Population by census of 1925,—9,136. Date of construction—1885. By whom owned—Town of Middleboro. Source of supply—well south of village near Nemasket River. Mode of supply—pumped direct overflow to stand-pipe.

### PUMPING STATISTICS

1. Builders of Pumping Machinery, two Goulds Electrically Driven Centrifugal main units; 1 Gould driven by Moore Steam Turbine, and 1 DeLaval complete turbine and pump, auxiliary units.
2. Description of fuel used:
  - (a) Electric Power for Main Units
  - (b) Bituminous coal for auxiliary units
  - (c) Price per K. W. H.—average \$.024
  - (d) Average price of coal per Net ton, delivered \$7.36
  - K. W. H. consumed for the year
    - (a) Main Pump 136,125
    - (b) Filter Pump 27,806
3. Coal consumed for the year, heat and power, lbs. 242,287
4. Total pumpage for the year, passed through meter, gal. 102,967,000\*
5. Average Static head against which pumps work, in feet 295
6. Average dynamic head against which pump work, in feet 300
7. Number of gallons pumped per K. W. H.
  - Main pump only 662.9
8. Duty equals gallons pumped (4) x 8.34 lbs.) x 100 x dynamic head (6) divided by total K. W. H. Consumed by main pump 165,855,259

9.	Cost of pumping figured on Pumping Station expenses	\$8,672.53
10.	Per million gallons pumped	\$84.22
11.	Per million gallons raised one foot dynamic	0.28
* Of total amount 12,731,000 gallons were pumped by steam.		

## STATISTICS OF CONSUMPTION OF WATER

1.	Total population 1925 Census	9,136
2.	Estimated population on lines of pipe	5,840
3.	Estimated population supplied	5,750
4.	Total Consumption for the year	102,967,000
5.	Passed through meters, gallons	78,134,200
6.	Percentage of consumption metered	75.8
7.	Average daily consumption, gals.	282,101
8.	Gallons per day to each inhabitant	31
9.	Gallons per day to each consumer	49
10.	Gallons per day to each tap	221
11.	Cost of supplying water per million gallons figured on total maintenance	\$273.04
12.	Total cost of supplying water, per million gallons figured on total maintenance plus interest on bonds and bonds.	\$304.21

## STATISTICS RELATING TO DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

1.	Kind of pipe—cast iron, wrought iron	
2.	Sizes—1 inch to 16 inches	
3.	Extended during year, feet	5,292
4.	Total now in use, miles	22.30
5.	Length of pipe less 4 in. in diameter, miles	.166
6.	Number of hydrants in use	166
7.	Number of stop gates smaller than 4 in.	1
8.	Number of blow offs	9
9.	Range of pressure on mains	84-120

## Services

10.	Kind of pipe—wrought iron, cement lined, cast iron	
11.	Sizes— $\frac{1}{2}$ inch to 6 inches	
12.	Extended, feet	1526
13.	Total now in use, miles	14.71
14.	Number of service taps added	23
15.	Number of service taps discontinued	0
16.	Number now in use	1312
17.	Average length of service, feet	59.19
18.	Number of meters added	19
19.	Number of meters now in use	1240
20.	Percent of services metered	98
21.	Percent of receipts from metered water	99
22.	Number of motors	0

## TOTAL LENGTH OF MAIN PIPE

16 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.	4 in.	2 in.	$1\frac{1}{2}$ in.	1 in.	Total
400	8,084.9	9,362.0	12,695.5	71,743.2	14,615.2	832.7	40.9	4.6	117,779

Total length of miles	22.30						
Number of hydrants added, 11, total	166						
Number of gates added, 4, total	247						
Number of blow offs	9						
Service connections made, 23, total	1312						
Number of services now taking water	1268						
Feet of service pipe put in during the year, feet	1526						
Feet of service pipe within street lines	34,067						
Motors in use	0						
Meters set during the year	19						
Meters now in use	1240						
Meters	$\frac{5}{8}$ in.	$\frac{3}{4}$ in.	$\frac{1}{2}$ in.	1 in.	$1\frac{1}{2}$ in.	2 in.	3 in..
American	341	1		2			
Trident	236		1	2	1		
Lambert	203	1		1			
Worthington	167						
Hersey	159	4	1	2	1		1
Federal	45			2			



Nash	29	2		1			
Keystone	26					1	
Empire	3	2		3			
Union	1						
Crown						1	
	<u>1210</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
						Total 1240	

# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

## WATER ANALYSIS

No.	Date of Collection	Turbidity	Sediment	Color	Total	Free	Total	Chlorine	Nitrogen As		Hardness	Iron	Mn.	
									Ammonia Albuminoid	Nitrates				
210372	Jan. 8	sl.	cons. iron	fl. .15	8.30	.0126	.0018	.64	.0600	.0001	2.2	.220	.120	Inlet to filter
211411	Mar. 7	sl.	cons. iron	fl. .05	8.20	.0096	.0012	.66	.0600	.0001	3.0	.450	.100	
210373	Jan. 8	very sl.	iron	fl. .30	8.70	.0014	.0014	.65	.0300	.0003	2.6	.095	.110	Outlet of "
211412	Mar. 7	v. sl.	sl.	fl. .17	7.70	.0076	.0016	.63	.0600	.0005	2.6	.155	.080	
210374	Jan. 8	v. sl.	none	.18	8.00	.0004	.0010	.62	.0500	.0000	2.2	.047	.000	Tap-Final Filter
211413	Mar. 7		none	.12	7.30	.0002	.0006	.62	.0600	.0000	2.6	.026	.000	
212544	May 10	dist.	cons. iron	fl. .05	7.60	.0090	.0028	.61	.0600	.0000	2.6	.230	.070	Inlet to "
212545	May 10	slight		.14	7.50	.0062	.0028	.64	.0600	.0001	2.6	.062	.040	Outlet of "
212546	May 10		none	.00	6.50	.0004	.0022	.69	.0600	.0000	2.6	.012	.000	Tap
214028	July 9	dist.	sl.	fl. .62	6.50	.0104	.0052	.56	.0200	.0000	2.2	.400	.080	Inlet to "
216400	Sept. 3	dist.	cons. iron	fl. .52	8.40	.0510	.0038	.60	.0200	.0000	2.0	.245	.080	
214029	July 9	sl.	v. sl.	fl. .27	6.60	.0070	.0034	.57	.0200	.0001	2.2	.125	.045	Outlet to "
216401	Sept. 3	dist.	sl. iron	fl. .32	7.70	.0036	.0028	.58	.0200	.0010	2.0	.110	.040	
214030	July 9	v. sl.	none	.12	5.60	.0000	.0014	.56	.0100	.0000	2.2	.048	.000	Tap-Final "
216402	Sept. 3	none	v. sl.	.08	6.30	.0006	.0046	.58	.0200	.0000	2.0	.012	.000	

PUMPING STATION RECORD, 1929

Month	Main Pumps Time Pumping Electric Steam		Average Daily		Gallons Pumped	Daily Average	K. W. H. used Main Pump	Daily Average	Power	Station Heater	Hours Minutes	Hours Minutes	Filter Supply Time Pumping Electric	Daily Average	K. W. H. used Filter Pump	Daily Average
	Hours Minutes	Hours Minutes	Hours Minutes	Hours Minutes												
January	144-20	8-15	4-55	8,559,000	276,096	12,419	400	4000	5467	262-30	8-28	2208	71			
February	127-5	8-30	4-50	7,555,000	269,821	10,985	392	2400	4089	235-20	8-24	1959	70			
March	138-	7-30	4-41	8,165,000	263,387	11,908	384	3700	4309	257-30	8-18	2116	68			
April	138-20	8-25	4-53	8,227,000	274,233	11,942	398	2200	3234	259-20	8-38	2118	70			
May	138-50	10-	4-48	8,214,000	264,967	11,941	385	3600	1705	261-20	8-26	2089	67			
June	168-35	9-35	5-56	9,851,000	328,366	14,520	484	2580		332-25	11-4	2656	88			
July	169-6		5-27	9,651,000	311,322	14,486	464			318-40	10-17	2637	85			
August	51-45	493.10	17-34	8,924,000	287,742	4,416	142	115,728		261-35	8-26	2532	82			
September	73-35	373.45	14-54	9,184,000	306,133	6,307	210	77,485	791	271-	9-	2658	88			
October	149-3		4-48	8,448,000	272,516	12,800	413		1732	239-25	7-43	2334	75			
November	138-5		4-36	7,849,000	261,633	11,900	393		4170	226-55	7-33	2218	74			
December	145-7		4-41	8,240,000	265,806	12,501	403		5097	234.50	7-34	2281	73			
Totals	1581-51	919-10		102,967,000	282,101	136,125	373	211,693	30,594	3160-50	8.39	37,806	76.18			
Daily Averages			7-4													

Greatest number of gallons pumped in one day, 508,000, September 16.

Least number of gallons pumped in one day, 99,000, August 11.

Of the total pumpage 12,731,000 gallons were pumped by steam pump.

RALPH SAMPSON,  
Engineer

## RAINFALL AND TEMPERATURE RECORD, 1929

Month	Temperature, Degrees			Precipitation Inches	
	Highest	Lowest	Mean	Rain and Melted Snow	Snow
January	59	—11	26.3	3.77	10
February	51	—5	28.	4.23	13½
March	73	5	39.5	4.93	4⅛
April	81	24	44.8	6.97	½
May	91	29	56.8	2.79	
June	92	36	65.2	.53	
July	90	39	68.8	2.72	
August	85	42	65.9	4.06	T
September	94	34	62.5	4.96	
October	74	19	50.	2.53	
November	73	8	40.6	3.16	1¼
December	53	—5	30.6	4.87	7¼
Totals				45.51	36⅝
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• RALPH SAMPSON,  
Observer.



## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

Record of the Annual Town Meeting and its Adjournments  
January 21st, 1929

Article 1: To choose all necessary town officers, the following officers to be voted on one ballot, viz: a Moderator for one year, a Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for one year, two Selectmen for three years, two members of the School Board for three years, one member of the Planning Board for five years.

Meeting was called to order at 11 o'clock A. M. by Moderator Fletcher Clark Jr.

The warrant was read by the Town Clerk.

Voted: that the polls be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

Polls declared open at 11:30 o'clock A. M.

The following Election Officers were sworn in—Morrill S. Ryder, William Begley, John Connor, Mabel B. Sears, Luke F. Kelley, John Callan, Stephen F. O'Hara, Frank S. Thomas, James A. Morrissey, John Perry, Alice Pratt, Elizabeth Flynn, Sarah Connor, Lucy Harlow, John Mahoney and E. Kimball Harrison.

The polls were declared closed at 8 o'clock P. M. and the result of the vote was as follows:—

## Moderator

Fletcher Clark Jr.	1730	
William Wilcox	3	
Robert Fish	1	
William W. L. Tallman	6	
Leslie Clark	2	
Blanks	552	
	—	2294

## Treasurer &amp; Collector

William W. Brackett	1785	
Abraham G. Newkirk	409	
James P. Sparrow	1	
Blanks	99	
	—	2294

## Selectmen

Alexander Heath	1230	
Louis Ritter	119	
John B. Savage	852	
Albert A. Thomas	1478	
Frederick S. Weston	821	
Bert G. Brown	1	
Blanks	87	
	—	4588

## School Committee

Dr. Robert G. Butler	1350	
Allan R. Thatcher	1330	
Forest E. Thomas	1160	
Blanks	748	
	—	4588

## Planning Board

Russell A. Trufant	36	
Chester Weston	4	
Frank S. Thomas	1	
Minnie Jones	1	
Leila Hathaway	3	
Wm. Holden	1	
Mrs. W. E. Holloway	5	
Alexander Heath	4	
Emma B. Lovell	1	
Albert A. Thomas	1	
Robert Fish	2	
J. R. Thompson	1	

Louis Ritter	1
Mrs. Alice Pratt	2
Clyde Thomas	1
Max Burnham	1
James Thomas	6
W. H. Powell	1
Henry F. Soule	2
Theodore H. Stegmaier	1
Walter Sampson	1
Dr. Burkhead	2
Waldo Jackson	1
A. G. Newkirk	1
Wm. G. Boynton	2
Agnes M. Boynton	1
James Kennedy	2
Edmund Reynolds	1
Frederick C. Noble	1
Morrill S. Ryder	1
Allan Thatcher	1
Wilson G. Harlow	2
Marcus Merrick	8
Kenneth Keedwell	1
Ernest L. Maxim	2
John Connor	1
James McMahon	1
Frederick S. Weston	1
Fred L. Bowman	1
John B. Savage	2
Howard Holden	1
John Boardman	1
T. N. Wood	2
John B. Bartlett	1
Eva Hathaway	1
George Boardman	1
Louis C. Littlejohn	1
John V. Sullivan	1
B. C. Shaw	1
Granville Tillson	1
Blanks	2175

Meeting adjourned at eleven o'clock P. M.

February 11th and 18th 1929

Article 2: To raise such sums of money by tax or otherwise, as may be necessary to defray the expense of the town for the current year, appropriate the same and to act anything in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes for the year.

Voted: 1929 appropriations less the estimated receipts.

An amendment was carried changing the appropriation for New Gravel Roads from 10,000.00 to 15,000.00 with the proviso that said amount be expended on the outside roads. A further amendment was carried that an amount not to exceed 500.00 of the 15,000. New Gravel Road appropriation is to be expended upon Prospect and Cliff Streets.

An amendment to cut \$10,000.00 from the Public Welfare account and use this for the mowing of brush on the highways thus providing work for the unemployed, was carried.

#### GAS & ELECTRIC DEPT.

The receipts of the plant, out of which shall be paid the operating expenses, bonds and interest, depreciation and construction and \$10,870.00 street lighting, which shall be included in the tax levy.

Article 3: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, or a majority thereof, to borrow during the municipal year beginning January 1st 1929, in anticipation of the revenue of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town but not exceeding the total tax levy of the preceding financial year, as provided in Section 3, Chapter 719, General Acts 1913, and amendments thereto, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the date thereof, all debts incurred under authority of this vote to be paid from the revenue of the present municipal year.



Voted: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, or a majority thereof, be authorized to borrow during the municipal year beginning January 1st 1929, in anticipation of the revenue of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy of the preceding financial year, as provided in Section 3, Chapter 719 General Acts 1913 and amendments thereto, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the date thereof, all debts incurred under authority of this vote to be paid from the revenue of the present municipal year.

Article 4: To hear the report of any committees or officers of the town; to appoint any committee, and act thereon.

Voted: That the Moderator appoint a committee of three from the membership of the Old Middleborough Historical Association to make improvements in the burying ground known as the Wood Cemetery, located on land owned by the town at the corner of Wood & Grove Sts. Committee appointed—Kenelm Winslow, Jane Bennett and Lorenzo Wood.

Article 5 To see if the town will appropriate money for band concerts the coming season, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$300.00 was voted under appropriation.

Article 6: To see if the town will appropriate money to be expended by Post 8 G. A. R. on Memorial Day, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$200.00 was voted under appropriations.

Article 7: To see if the town will vote to appropriate money necessary to pay the rent of a suitable place for the Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$200.00 was voted under appropriations.

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not exceeding five hundred (500) dollars,

to be paid to St. Lukes Hospital, established in said town, for the establishment and maintenance of a free bed in the hospital for care and treatment of persons certified by the selectmen of said town to be residents of the town and unable to pay for such care and treatment, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$500.00 was voted under appropriations.

Article 9: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the Plymouth County Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, a sum not exceeding three hundred (\$300) dollars, and choose a town director for one year as provided in Section 41 and 45 of Revised Chapter 128 of the General Laws, and act thereon

Voted: That the town raise and appropriate for the use of Plymouth County Trustees for County aid to Agriculture, the sum of three hundred (\$300) dollars.

That H. A. Standish be chosen a town director for one year.

Article 10: To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the employment of a school and public health nurse, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$1,500.00 under appropriations.

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to continue the Christmas street lighting, appropriate money for the same, and act thereon.

Voted: That the town appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars to continue the Christmas Street Lighting.

Article 12: To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed three hundred (\$300) dollars, to be spent under the direction of the Planning Board, for the purpose of studying the Parking Problem, and act thereon.

Voted: To indefinitely postpone action on this article.

Article 13: To see what action the town will take, if any, for authority to establish a limited or representative form of town meeting, appoint a committee for that purpose, and act thereon.

Voted: That a committee of five be appointed by the moderator to look into this subject and report at some future meeting.

Committee appointed:

James A. Thomas

Fred B. Alger

B. J. Allan

William Egger

Albert Soule

Article 14: To see if the town will vote to install a system of drainage to care for the surplus water on Vine and West streets and drain the same into Never touch Pond, so-called, and to raise and appropriate therefor a sum not to exceed more than twenty five hundred (2500) dollars, and to act any thing in relation thereto; agreeable to the petition of Franceses Teceno et al.

Voted: That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 15: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed four hundred (\$400) dollars for the purpose of marking the word "Middleboro" on the roof of some structure located in the town, for the purpose of aiding aviation, and act thereon. (By request).

Voted: That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 16: To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 391 of the Acts of the Year 1923, and all acts in addition thereto or in amendment thereof, being General Laws, Chapter 40, as amended by sections 42A-42B-42C-42D-42E-42F, the same being an act relating to the collection of water rates, and act thereon.

Voted: That this article be adopted.

Article 17: To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to issue a license or licenses to hold on the Lord's Day a public entertainment in keeping with the character of the Day and not inconsistent with its due observance,



to which admission is to be obtained upon the payment of money or other valuable consideration, and act anything thereon.

Voted: That, the Selectmen be instructed to grant a Sunday Permit to the Park Theatre, Middleboro, Mass.

Article 18: To see if the town of Middleborough will vote to amend its General By-Laws approved in 1927, by adding the following general article:

### Article 13.

#### Fire Department

Section 1. Day and night force. The permanent members of the fire fighting force of the town shall be divided by the Chief of the Fire Department into two bodies or forces which shall be designated as a day force and night force, and shall alternate on tours of duty every third day.

Section 2. Hours of duty. The hours of duty of the day force shall be from eight o'clock in the forenoon to six o'clock in the afternoon; and the hours of duty of the night force shall be from six o'clock in the afternoon to eight o'clock in the forenoon; provided, that on every third day, for the purpose of alternating the day force with the night force and vice versa, the numbers of hours of duty herein stated may be extended, but one force shall be at liberty at all times, except that in case of conflagration, the officer having charge of the fire fighting force shall have full authority to summon and keep on duty all members of the fire fighting force while the conflagration continues. This section shall not affect any law, by-laws, rules, or regulations relative to salary, pensions, annual vacations or sick or disability, or leave of absence of the members of the Fire Department, and act thereon. (By request)

Voted: That the General By-Laws of the town of Middleboro be amended by adding Article 13, Section 1 and 2, as read.



Approved by Attorney General June 25, 1929.

Article 19: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed five hundred (\$500) dollars for a Dental Clinic for the School Department, and act thereon. (By request)

Voted: That the town of Middleboro appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars for the establishment of a Dental Clinic.

Article 20: To see if the town will vote to transfer a balance of two thousand seven hundred sixty four dollars (\$2764.76) and seventy-six cents, now in the High Tension account of the Gas & Electric Department, to the General Construction account of said department, and act thereon.

Voted: That the balance of twenty-seven hundred sixty-four (\$2764.76) dollars and seventy-six cents, now in the High Tension Account of the Gas & Electric Department, be transferred to the General Construction account of said Department.

Article 21: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be raised by loan or otherwise, to defray the cost of extending the water main from Muttock Hill, so called, through Nemasket street and Plymouth street to Warrentown, so called, a distance not to exceed one (1) mile, and act thereon; agreeable to the petition of Anders Martenson et al.

Voted: That action on this article be laid upon table until the adjournment of this meeting.

Voted: that the Selectmen as Water Commissioners be authorized to extend the water mains on Nemasket street and Plymouth street and that for this purpose the town appropriate the sum of eleven thousand (\$11,000.) dollars, of which the sum of twenty-two hundred (\$2200.) dollars shall be included in the tax levy of the current year, and the remainder shall be raised by the issue of bonds or notes of the town, and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized and empowered to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, in the sum not to exceed

eight thousand eight hundred (\$8,800.) dollars, payable in accordance with the provisions of Section eight of Chapter forty-four of the General Laws, in such manner that the whole loan shall be paid off in not more than five years from the date of the first bond or note or at such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, shall determine. The result of this vote was Yes 602, No 0.

Article 22: To see if the town will vote to accept Prospect street and Cliff street as public ways, as laid out by the Selectmen, appropriate money for the same, and act thereon; agreeable to the petition of Morrill S. Ryder et al.

Voted: that the town accept Prospect street and Cliff street as public ways, as laid out by the Selectmen.

\$500.00 of the Highway appropriation was to be used for this purpose

Article 23: To see if the town will vote to change the name of Everett Square to John Glass Jr. Square, and act thereon; agreeable to the petition of Simeon L. Nickerson Post 64.

Voted: that wishing to honor the honorable service and supreme sacrifice during the World War of a young man and citizen of this town, the name of Everett Square be changed to John Glass Jr. Square.

Record of Special Town Meeting, June 18th, 1929

Article 1 To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to cover the expense of the Small-Pox epidemic, and act thereon.

Voted: to appropriate the sum of fifty-one hundred eighty four (\$5184.95) dollars and ninety-five cents, to cover the Small-Pox epidemic, said sum to be paid from the Surplus Overlay account.

Article 2: To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed nine thousand (\$9000) dollars for the purpose of installing a new heating system in the School Street School, and act thereon.

Voted: that the town of Middleboro appropriate the sum of nine thousand (\$9000.) dollars for the purpose of in-

stalling a new heating system in the School Street School.

Article 3: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed four thousand (\$4000.) dollars to defray the cost of repairing the standpipe of the Water Department, and act thereon.

Voted: that the town appropriate four thousand (\$4000.) dollars to defray the cost of repairing the standpipe of the Water Department.

Quorum present, later several left and it was decided that a quorum was not present.

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to transfer the balance of nine thousand nine hundred eighty-four (\$9984.49) dollars and forty-nine cents, now in the Roadside Brush account of the Highway Department, to the account of the Public Welfare Department, and act thereon. Said nine thousand nine hundred eighty-four (\$9984.49) dollars and forty-nine cents being the balance now remaining of the Ten thousand (\$10,000.) dollars transferred at the Annual Town Meeting from the Public Welfare appropriation to the Highway appropriation, and to be used by the Public Welfare Department to provide work for certain needy persons.

Voted: to transfer the balance of nine thousand nine hundred eighty four (\$9984.49) dollars and forty-nine cents, now in the Roadside Brush account of the Highway Dept., to the account of the Public Welfare Department. This was ruled non valid due to lack of quorum.

Article 5: to see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of nine hundred thirteen (\$913.39) dollars and thirty-nine cents to pay the land damage claims at Everett Square (now John Glass Jr. Square) as awarded by the County Commissioners, and act thereon.

No action taken on this article.

Article 6: To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in which the town voted



to raise five hundred (\$500) dollars for the District Nurse, and act thereon.

No action taken on this article.

Article 7: To see if the town will vote to appropriate five hundred (\$500) dollars for the use of the Public Welfare Department in the employment of the District Nurse, and act thereon.

No action taken on this article.

Voted to adjourn at 8:47 P. M.

#### Record of Special Town Meeting, October 8th, 1929

Article 1: To see if the town will vote to transfer the balance of nine thousand six hundred seventy-seven (\$9677.61) dollars and sixty-one cents, now in the Roadside Brush account of the Highway Department, to the account of the Public Welfare Department, and act thereon. Said nine thousand six hundred seventy-seven (\$9677.61) dollars and sixty-one cents being the balance now remaining of the ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars transferred to the Annual Town Meeting from the Public Welfare Department appropriation to the Highway appropriation, and to be used by the Public Welfare Department to provide work for certain needy persons and act thereon.

Voted: to transfer the sum of nine thousand six hundred seventy-seven (\$9,677.61) dollars and sixty one cents from the Roadside Brush Account of the Highway Department to the Account of the Public Welfare Department.

Article 2: To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of nine hundred thirteen (\$913.39) dollars and thirty-nine cents to pay the land damage claims at Everett Square (now John Glass Jr. Square) as awarded by the County Commissioners, and act thereon.

Voted: that the sum of nine hundred thirteen (\$913.39) dollars and thirty-nine cents be transferred from the Excess & Deficiency Account to the Everett Square account, for the purpose of paying Land Damage Claims.



Article 3: To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in which the town voted to raise five hundred (\$500) dollars for the District Nurse, and act thereon.

Voted: That we rescind the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in which the town voted to raise five hundred (\$500.) dollars for the District Nurse.

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to appropriate five hundred (\$500.) dollars for the use of the Public Welfare Department in the employment of the District Nurse, and act thereon.

Voted: That the sum of five hundred (\$500.) dollars be transferred from the Excess & Deficiency Account to the Account of the Public Welfare Department for the purpose of employing a District Nurse.

Article 5: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay the bill of Dr. Edward L. Perry, for services rendered as Health Physician during the Small-Pox epidemic, and act thereon.

Voted: that the sum of four hundred twenty (\$420.) dollars be transferred from the Surplus Overlay account to the Small Pox Account, for the purpose of paying the claims of Dr. Edward L. Perry.

Article 6: To see if the town will vote to transfer the balance of nine hundred eleven dollars (\$911.34) and thirty-four cents, now in the School Street Heating account to the Maintenance of Building Account of the School Department, and act thereon.

Voted: To transfer the balance of nine hundred eleven dollars (\$911.34) and thirty-four cents, now in the School Street Heating Account to the Maintenance of Building Account of the School Department.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to repair the Heating System of the Town Home, and act thereon.

Mr. Albert A. Thomas stated that no action on this article was necessary at this time, that the Peirce Estate Trustees were going to take care of *this item*.

Voted to adjourn at 8:30 P. M.

## ANALYSIS OF CASH RECEIPTS FOR 1929

Transient Vendor	1 @	\$10.00	\$10.00
Dance Pavilions	2 @	5.00	10.00
Merry-Go-Round	1 @	5.00	5.00
Lodging House	1 @	2.00	2.00
Inn-holder	2 @	2.00	4.00
Fireworks	5 @	5.00	25.00
Ice-Cream	2 @	1.00	2.00
Dog-licenses			
766 males	@	\$2.00	\$1,532.00
168 females	@	5.00	840.00
2 Kennels	@	25.00	50.00
			<hr/> \$2,422.00
Billiards & Pool	2 @	\$2.00	\$4.00
Theatre	1 @	65.00	65.00
Auctioneer	5 @	2.00	10.00
Sunday	14 @	2.00	28.00
Recording mortgages			161.74
Certified copies	47 @	.25	11.75
Interest on deposits			4.72
Junk			110.00
Milk			20.00
Pedlar	8 @	5.00	40.00
Common Victualler	74 @	2.00	148.00
Garage	26 @	1.00	26.00
Gasolene			177.00
Dealers			105.00
Marriages			76.00
Fish & Game			
Sporting Resident	469 @	\$2.25	\$1,055.25
Trapping       "	64	2.25	144.00
Sporting Non Res.	3	5.25	15.75
"       "       "	4	2.25	9.00

Trapping Minor	55	.75	41.25
Duplicates	6	.50	3.00
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Total	.		\$1,268.25
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Total receipts			\$4,735.46

### PAYMENTS

Amount paid to County Treasurer	
Dog licenses less fees	\$2,234.80
Amount paid to Division of F. & G.	
Game licenses less fees	1,119.50
Amount paid to Town Treasurer	
Dog license fees	187.20
Game license fees	148.75
General licenses, recording mortgages etc.	1,045.21
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Total payments	\$4,735.46

### REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATES

Number of certificates issued to minors, ages 14-16	70
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ 16-21	179
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Total number issued during the year	249

### REPORT OF VITAL STATISTICS

Number of Births recorded in 1929	163
Number of Marriages recorded in 1929	91
Number of Deaths recorded in 1929	140

## BIRTHS RECORDED IN MIDDLEBORO FOR THE YEAR 1929

## Delayed Returns

		Name	Names of Parents
1903			
Mar.	27	John Antone Roht	John Roht and Jacobena Schmadel
1914			
July	11	Harold Frederick Logan	Frederick M. and Sadie Vickery
1923			
May	13	Shirley Alice Forney	Louis H. and Velario Sutkus
1924			
Apr.	9	Louis Henry Forney Jr.	Louis H. and Velario Sutkus
May	28	Charles Alexander Lee Jr.	Charles A. and Agnes M. Cameron
1928			
July	15	Alphonso David Fish, 2nd	Robert and Estha L. MacDonald
1929			
Jan.	3	Beverly Ann Eaton	Orrin J. and Alice Alouisa Rogers
	8	Charles Freeman Hodgdon Jr.	Charles F. and Caroline Ethelyn Sears
	8	—————Ferren	William F. and Gladys W. Ross
	17	Shirley Lorraine Pittsley	Walter L. and Elizabeth A. Rogers
	24	Lorraine Schylley Bryant	Alton D. and Stasia Schylley
	27	Phyllis Evelyn Howard	William and Bessie Bennett
Feb.	5	Frank Zutant Jr.	Frank and Mary A. Rizycki
	7	Stephen Page Hardy Jr.	Stephen P. and Madeline G. Bcehme
	8	Stanley Robert Mills Jr.	Stanley R. and Marguerite A. Brown
	8	Stuart Harold Dudley	Harold L. and Jean Stuart
	10	Edgar Joseph April	Eugene and Cecile Surprenant
	13	Bertha Frances Richmond	Lewis K. and Lillian A. Allen
	13	Donald Alton Wood	Alton Morris and Madeline Burgess
	25	Shirley Mae Davoll	Benjamin R. and Mary Jane Purtell
	25	Billie Evelyn Mills	George E. and Helen Margaret Baker
Mar.	4	Margaret Jean Anderson	Ela W. and Jessie B. Whitney
	5	Jean Elizabeth Meier Ellis	Arthur A. and Louise A. Meier
	5	Alan Peter Dodge	Herbert E. and Gladys I. Wood
	5	Allan Dale Standish	Miles H. and Addie May Weld
	6	Paul Robert Horsman Jr.	Paul R. and Martha J. Meier
	6	Alfred Robert Gauthier	Elzeai and Marv C. Joyce
	14	Ivan Thomas Kinsman	Frank F. and Elizabeth L. Thomas
	16	—————McDonald	Frank and Louise White
	17	Eugene Anacki	Michael and Olga Permaino
	19	Charles Lee Norton Jr.	Charles L. and Lucretia F. Morgan
	21	Alvina Joncas	Philip J. and Minnie E. Blair
	21	Barbara Louise Hallett	James and Hattie M. Ritter
	22	Daniel Wesley Anacki	Paul and Annie Koban
	23	Byrle Thomas	Frank W. and Georgette E. Harris
	23	Arnold Fred Thomas	Arnold L. and Bertha Russ
	26	David Smash	Andrew and Mary Sowryda
Apr.	2	Theresa Amanda Duphilly	Joseph M. and Amanda Fortin
	2	Blanche Elizabeth Perry	Warren E. and Alice L. Gale
	4	Joanne St. Amand	Ovila and Minnie L. McLaughlin
	4	Beatrice Mae Austin	Linwood W. and Beatrice H. Nickerson
	10	Mildred Myrtle Maxwell	Isaac E. and Myrtle S. LeBlanc
	11	Muriel Louise Caldwell	Harrison M. and Vera N. Hayward
	13	—————Casey	Anselm G. and Louise A. Boehme
	15	Christopher Joseph O'Leary	Christopher J. and Doris C. Stubbart
	19	Beverly Augustine Gardiner	Howard C. and Annie Galfre
May	1	Claire Jean Rice	John B. and Edith M. Cameron
	4	—————Wilmot	Alfred W. and Louise A. Whitehead
	4	Shirley A. Trinque	Dennis and Blanche E. Smith
	5	Barbara Evelyn Goodhue	Edward W. and Irma O. Foye
	7	Frederick Lawton Sisson	Phillip G. and Ella M. Thompson
	7	George Edwin Oates	Matthew T. and Mary McCabe
	7	Marjorie Grace Pike	Leander B. and Grace M. McDonald
	7	Earl Leonard Tallman	James A. and Elsie Bouine
	8	Ruth Elaine Harris	Charles E. and Ruth M. Gifford
May	12	Maynard Franklin Vickery Jr.	Maynard F. and Isabelle M. Caswell
	12	Shirley Jeanette Sanford	Kenneth W. and Florence E. Souza
	13	Louis Alfred Ticeno	Joseph and Margaret McCausland
	21	Priscilla Ann Bacon	Wallace A. and Florence H. Gaskin



	23	Louise Elaine Desrosiers	Napoleon and Rosaline Berriault
	25	Anthony Pina Silva	Jerome P. and Margaret Johnson
	26	Marjorie Louise MacTighe	Charles R. and Flora E. Dearing
	30	George Richard Hicks	Walter G. and Lempe Johnson
June	2	Jeanette Arlene Raymond	William F. and Harriett A. Churchill
	2	Carlton Emery Leland	George W. and Marion J. Emery
	8	Virginia M. Miller	Francis W. and Dehlia B. Mansfield
	9	Edwin Allen Jr.	Edwin and Helen C. Duguay
	10	Florence Louise Varney	Remington G. and Annie McMahon
	10	Phyllis Lucille Morse	Nahum B. and Lucille E. Haddon
	11	Alice Madeline Denson	Ernest L. and Evelyn Bouque
	13	Priscilla Joan Melville	David M. and Madeline M. Marshall
	13	Walter Alden Brown	Walter A. and May E. Pierce
	14	Calvin William Hitchcock	William N. and Lydia Ellis
	19	Celesta Isabell Athanasios	Charles and Jennie Wrightington
	19	Jean Audrey Graham	Frank A. and Gertrude L. Eastham
	20	Arlene Moranville	Clifton H. and Eva Broadbent
	26	Everett Richard McDonald	John and Mary J. Boucher
	28	Ellis Sheridan Bumpus Jr.	Ellis S. and Ella E. Tillson
	28	Phyllis Arleen Tribou	Charles L. and Albina B. Little
	28	Beverly Jean Hudson	Fletcher C. and Violet Williams
	29	Hugh Bigelow	Frederic I. and Ethel M. Clark
	29	Helen May Ruda	Joseph and Eliza P. Tripp
July	1	James Gamache	Joseph and Eyvonne Provost
	2	Ruth Emily Bettencourt	John and Ila Holmes
	2	Louis Mello	John and Mary Sylvia
	4	Elva Joan Fuller	Frederick M. and Eleanor M. Washburn
	5	Howard Francis Linton	Orville B. and Florence M. Mullins
	12	Shirley Almira Williams	Harry C. and Maud Kelland
	16	Aime Roger Phillip Fortin	Gideon and Marie Beaulieu
	17	Richard Leo Buttermore	Michael J. and Alice E. Sheridan
	24	—————Emoda	Ralph and Nellie Dias
	25	Vivian Shirley Pfister	August and Millicent F. Porter
	27	Francis Gerald Byrne	Joseph H. and Helen Fuller Shaw
	28	Andrew Freeman Griffith Jr.	Andrew F. and Elsie M. Sawyer
	29	Barbara Stone	Walter F. Stone and Irene E. Keith
	31	Ralph Gordon Conant Jr.	Ralph G. and Ruth L. Jones
Aug.	1	—————Stropole	Arthur W. and Ethel M. Leet
	2	—————Martin	Nicholas and Annie Martin
	3	John Francis Fava Jr.	John Francis and Barbara W. Morse
	3	Lydia Frances Tubman	Kenneth L. and Doris F. Vickory
	6	Paul Shorey Smith	Paul T. and Annie M. Shorey
	7	Arthur Lloyd Parry	George W. and Nellie L. Harlow
	7	Reta Anne Flynn	Edward M. and Anna H. Spratt
	7	Evelyn Jewell Snow	Marshall A. and Gladys E. Keen
	12	Clifton Irvin Cordeiro	John S. and Verna M. Hopkins
	16	Claire Louise Sullivan	John W. and Alice H. Baker
	22	Paul David Coussins	Paul D. and Rose M. Ditano
	25	Lila Louise Horn	William F. and Elizabeth Griswold
	25	Kenneth Allen Hopkins	Elmer L. and Sarah B. Perry
	25	Francis Joseph Corsini Jr.	Francis J. and Mary R. Berriault
	31	Russell Weeman Howland	Frederick W. and Marion A. Weeman
Sept.	2	Shirley Ellen Hartling	Alva B. and Beatrice M. Pearson
	2	Louise Elizabeth Tibbetts	Frank C. and Lillian M. Hinks
	3	Eleanor Mary Ruprecht	Casper A. and Dorothy F. Hebert
	4	Eugene Edward McManus	Albert V. and Clara R. Jacintho
Sept.	4	Irene Veronica Ware	Warren F. and Annie A. Ware
	7	Walter Dezenawgis	William and Statia Kurcivicz
	12	Doris Elaine Pickering	Ray W. and Hazel A. Flood
	18	Melvin Gilbert Smith	Micheal R. and Beaulah R. Beach
	19	Phyllis Anne Wilbur	Allerton B. and Florence M. Maddigan
	20	David Elmer Makepeace	Chester F. and Mabel Pearson
	21	Richard Allan Ray	Seward W. and Cora B. Knapp
	23	John Albert Black Jr.	John A. and Laura F. Jones
	24	Charles Frederick Griswold Jr.	Charles F. and Hazel A. White
	25	Flora Belle Bernier	William L. and Belva F. Holmes
	27	Alice Jean Nourse	Royal H. and Zelma G. Keith
	27	Paul Pratt	Frederick A. and Alzada E. Gibnay

	30	Richard Allan Heleene	Walter and Helga J. Matson
	30	George Clifford Tanguay Jr.	George C. and Mazie C. Rogers
	30	Meredith Morton Caswell	William R. and Alice Dunham
Oct.	7	Carl Francis Pillsbury	Carl F. and Naomi M. Dempsey
	7	James White Pratt	Harold E. and Marion I. Robinson
	11	Shirley Keith Wright	John and Helen E. Standish
	12	Beatrice Cecilia Brooks	Herbert J. and Annie A. Benson
	12	Harold Elliott Campbell Jr.	Harold E. and Gertrude G. Orr
	14	Elaine Evelyn Rogers	Warren and Gertrude A. Waddington
	15	Beverly Elaine Thayer	Ewell P. and Maxine C. Sturgis
	17	Sylvia Louise Green	Sylvester and Lulu E. Brooks
	18	Janette Silva	Philip J. and Theresa R. Camandona
Oct.	21	Norman Francis Dunham	Francis M. and Jennie M. Snow
	23	Russell Farnum Snowden	Bedford R. and Florence M. Catlin
	26	Margaret Holmes	Elmer S. and Madeline Shaw
	31	Virginia Gladys Gates	Harold C. and Ellen G. McCarthy
	31	—————Reynolds	James D. and Fedora A. Filmore
Nov.	5	Ovel Thomas Bennett Jr.	Ovel T. and Elizabeth M. Dauner
	13	Robert Francis Kelly	Edward A. and Hilda M. Bacon
	14	Marjorie Claire Devlin	Charles P. and Elizabeth Creedon
	16	Marion Louise Johnson	William H. and Elizabeth M. Young
	17	James Camillo Martin	Jacintho C. and Anna Corriero
	18	Madelon Louise Moriarty	John V. and Mary M. Gibney
	19	Evelyn Louise LeBarnes	Frank A. and Cora Rickard
	25	Mildred Josephine Flynn	Joseph A. and Mildred Wallaitis
	28	—————Davis	Lester and Juliette Johnson
	29	John Charles Nichols Jr.	John C. and Frances Kunkis
Dec.	2	Rosemary Catherine Quigley	Leo and Gladys I. Eaton
	11	Charles Edward Jurgelewicz	John and Josephine Rozlowsky
	15	Oliver Francis Letourneau	Oliver and Violet Watts
	18	David Webb Shaw	Lewis N. and Elsie Griswold
	21	Mary Natalie O'Melia	Thomas F. and Mary N. Bernier
	25	Theresa Mary Guertin	Charles L. and Mary E. MacNeil

## MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO DURING THE YEAR 1929

1927	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence
Dec. 5	Napoleon Joseph Desrosiers Rosaline Atela Berriault	Middleborough Middleborough
1929		
Jan. 4	Kenneth Lord Tubman Doris Francis Vickery	Middleborough Middleborough
Feb. 2	Paul Green	Middleborough
	Laura Elsie Jones	Braintree
7	Francis Corsini	Middleborough
	Marie Rose Alma Berriault	Middleborough
11	Adelard Louis Boutin	Middleborough
	Jane Burnadette Cannon	Newton Center
21	Michael Joseph Francis Waldron	Taunton
	Hannah Mildred King (Leary)	Middleborough
22	John Lowell Sauer	Norwich, N. Y.
	Margaretha Turnis Becker	Middleborough
23	David McClellan Melville	Middleborough
	Madeline Margaret Marshall	Middleborough
Mar. 2	Leon Bennett Hatch	Middleborough
	Helen B. Pollard	Taunton
16	Lawrence Bassett Gardner	Barnstable
	Dorothy Mae Libby	Barnstable
23	Orville Bernard Linton	Lakeville
	Florence Mary Ohnesorge (Mullins)	Middleborough
31	Samuel Kayajan	Middleborough
	Carrie Garabedian	Salem, N. H.
31	Ardavest Kayajan	Middleborough
	Alice Garabedian	Salem, N. H.
April 6	Samuel James Foye	Middleborough
	Lyda Beatrice Smith	Boston
10	Clarence E. Harris	Boston
	Dorothy White	Cambridge
16	John Reed Emerson	Middleborough
	Nellie MacKeag (Berry)	Westbrook. Me.
18	Ralph William Hupfer	Boston
	Margaret Winston Drew	Middleborough
20	Joseph Fasulo	Middleborough
	Adelena Costa	Middleborough
22	William Edwin LeBaron	Middleborough
	Frances Elizabeth Brady	Bourne
25	Walter George Durgin	Middleborough
	Louise Isabell Roberts (Peck)	Middleborough
May 2	James Murdock	Middleborough
	Edna May Skalak	Brooklyn, N. Y.



	22	George Ward Stetson	Middleborough
		Doris Pierce Kinsman	Middleborough
	22	Charles Irving Robbins	Plymouth
		Marie Hazel Cote	Plymouth
	25	Bertram Adin Hewitt	Middleborough
		Ruth Smith	W. Somerville
June	1	William Souza Moura	Middleborough
		Rose Sylvia Souza	Middleborough
	1	Charles Lester Newton	Middleborough
		Nora Cecelia O'Neil	Middleborough
	15	Oliva Joseph Lafrance	Norway, Maine
		Thelma I. Sawyer	Middleborough
	15	Jesse Irving Vaughan	Roslindale
		Sarah Rebecca White (Griswold)	Middleborough
	23	Russell Burgess Marshall	Bridgewater
		Eva Alma Grant	Lakeville
	23	Rhodolphus Porter Alger	Middleborough
		Elizabeth Copeland Smith	Middleborough
	23	George F. Reed	Lakeville
		Jessie Morrison	Middleborough
	25	Raymond H. Wood	Middleborough
		T. Ernestine Brigham	Lowell
	25	Laurence Linden Osborne	Middleborough
		Lillian Irene Peck	Middleborough
	29	George Freitas	Middleborough
		Cordelia Eldridge	Brockton
	29	John Theodore Nickols	Middleborough
		Frances Konces	Middleborough
July	3	John Robert Matheson	Middleborough
		Verna Marie Dunphy	Brockton
	5	Robert George Butler Jr.	Middleborough
		Mary Adeline Wood	Middleborough
	7	Edward Joseph Curley	Middleborough
		Mary Margaret Hennessey	East Bridgewater
	10	Alexander L. Laird	Boston
		Georgia M. Jains	Boston
	14	Walter H. Cassidy	Carver
		Mary Hall	Middleborough
	19	Joseph J. Corti	Middleborough
		Gladys Estelle Wall	Middleborough
	20	Stephen W. Bump	Middleborough
		Edythe S. Finneran	Middleborough
	27	Franklin Thomas Griswold	Bridgewater
		Jessie Ross Boynton	Bridgewater
	29	John Sillari	Plymouth
		Elizabeth Cotti	Middleborough
Aug.	7	William Douglas Church	Middleborough
		Mary Cecelia Gomes	Middleborough
	19	Preston Arthur Blackburn	Middleborough
		Dorothy Margaret Gow	Bridgewater
	19	Gordon Franklin Robbins	Middleborough
		Edith Anna Cronan	Middleborough



21	Leonard Eldridge Proctor	Middleborough
	Hazel Winifred Thomas	Middleborough
22	Paul Elmer Gary	Wareham
	Ethel Burgess Haskell	Middleborough
24	Ralph Wentworth Cram	Sudbury
	Florence Mae Heath	Middleborough
27	Thomas G. Pierce	Middleborough
	Clara M. Cleveland Andrews	East Wareham
27	Peter D. Gravelin	Middleborough
	Thelma E. Ray	Middleborough
28	Lawrence Frederick McCarthy	Middleborough
	Helen Pearl Given	Plymouth
31	John Baptist Giberti	Middleborough
	Alma Gertrude Galligan	Taunton
31	James H. Hall	Middleborough
	Catherine E. Kenney (Murphy)	Middleborough
31	James Joseph O'Neil	Taunton
	Dorothy Mary Malaguti	Middleborough
Sept.		
1	John Fink Ruzyski	Middleborough
	Anna Kanapa	Middleborough
3	Pliny B. Edson	Middleborough
	Grace A. Willis (Maddigan)	Middleborough
8	Frank Rosen	Middleborough
	Dora Wright	Middleborough
14	Norman E. Rudolph	Middleborough
	Madeline Katherine Keenan	Middleborough
14	Richard William Fessenden	Middleborough
	Bertha Eleanor Polley	Brockton
16	Norman Arvid Thornquist	Arlington
	Bernice Walton Means	Arlington
16	Joseph Delbert Derr Jr.	Taunton
	Ethel Bernice Keough	Middleborough
21	Francis Joseph Morrissey	Bridgewater
	Hannah Collins	Middleborough
22	Howard Sylvester Logrien	Middleborough
	Yvonne Mary Bois	Middleborough
23	Irving L. Seaver	Rochester
	Nellie E. (Benson) Bassett	Rochester
28	James Aloysius Murphy	Taunton
	Lucy Mary Trinque	Middleborough
Oct.		
5	Louis George Hanoian	Middleborough
	Frances Dellagatta	Middleborough
5	Richard Arzoomanian	Providence, R. I.
	Carrie Mary Colavecchio	Providence, R. I.
5	Charles Francis Stuart	Middleborough
	Crina Mary Fasulo	Middleborough
6	William John Malkoski	Bridgewater
	Laura Stanulewicz	Middleborough
12	Luke Francis Callan Jr.	Middleborough
	Bertha Marie Gibney	Middleborough
12	Donald Falconieri	Middleborough
	Sophie Radavich	Middleborough

12	William Joseph Sharkey	Plymouth
	Sara Helen Barrett	Middleborough
14	Charles Henry Francis Youngs	Providence, R. I.
	Ruth Maida Langton	Warwick, R. I.
15	John F. Carney	Middleborough
	Evelyn Winthrop Hoxie	Attleboro
18	William Lawrence Greene	Middleborough
	Mary Eleanor Kirby	West Bridgewater
19	Frank M. Conant	Middleborough
	Nellie McGinn	Middleborough
Nov. 7	Raymond Euric Leighton	Middleborough
	Nancy L. S. Macomber	Middleborough
9	Richard Tanguay	Middleborough
	Fannie Celia Roberts	Middleborough
9	Linwood Perry Day	E. Parsonfield, Me.
	Mildred Grace Wales	Limerick, Me.
9	Randolph Scott Thomas	Sagamore
	Edith Gertrude Logan	Middleborough
18	Marvin C. Jones	Duxbury
	Ruth J. Evans	Duxbury
26	Chester Marston White	Middleborough
	Louise Gilbert Holbrook	Middleborough
28	Eugene Francis Davis	Middleborough
	Evelyn May Sherman	Middleborough
28	Francis Herbert Bosari	Middleborough
	Ellen Marguerite Gaudette	Middleborough
28	Mitchell Willett Jr.	Rochester
	Alice Ouellette	Rochester
28	Louis L. Ouellette	Rochester
	Mary Blanche Willett	Rochester
Dec. 12	Harry E. Bowden	Brockton
	Bessie Bowen Jenney	Middleborough
21	Edward Austin Curley	Middleborough
	Marian Bernice Benson	Middleborough
27	Weston D. Harris	Lakeville
	Jessie L. Taylor (Egan)	Lakeville

# DEATHS RECORDED IN MIDDLEBORO FOR THE YEAR 1929

1928		Y	M	D	
Dec.	28	Agnes C. Savard	27	5	14
1929					
Jan.	2	Justin John Cernauskos	45	7	1
	5	Linnie Lemunyon	53	7	0
	5	Annie Amanda Hammond	68	5	27
	8	Mary Murphy	58	8	24
	16	Lucy Buttrick Maxim	63	10	21
	17	Isabelle Harper Moquin	76	8	0
	17	Serena Beatrice Chapman	50	4	18
	18	Irene Isabel	1	0	0
	20	Maria Clifford Lovell	82	0	2
	24	Nellie May Brennan	44	4	8
	24	James F. Casey	72	0	0
	25	Hattie Anna Rudolph	54	7	11
	28	Betty Louise Preti	0	0	5
	30	Ellen Foster Gay	84	6	0
	30	Nathaniel Allerton Shurtleff	61	3	17
	31	Joseph Canavan	76	1	6
	31	Cordelia A. Finney	85	11	21
Feb.	1	Rhoda Ella Sparrow Wood	79	1	30
	2	Lewis James Riggs	84	4	27
	3	Alice B. Whittemore	79	0	0
	4	Mary Fayette Raymond	81	0	9
	6	Josiah Alton Perkins	70	9	29
	6	Sarah Elizabeth Dean	82	1	7
	10	Ednah William Drake	80	0	6
	11	Bertha Stets	25	0	0
	12	Catherine McQuade	73	0	2
	14	George Fox Tucker	77	0	28
	14	Alvaris Southworth Robinson	56	11	20
	16	Cornelius Howard Leonard	83	4	10
	21	George Licevic	67	0	0
	22	Lyman Porter Thomas	67	11	2
	22	Warburton Osgood Eddy	76	10	10
	25	Gustavis Harvey Long	86	5	6
Mar.	2	Mary Alice Warren	59	10	18
	3	Nellie E. Thompson	72	4	2
	10	Emilio N. Niro Jr.	0	4	9
	11	Lydia F. Brown	61	6	3
	14	Joseph T. LeBlanc	40	2	16
	16	Sylvia Casey	78	5	0
	17	Elizabeth Hartling	70	4	18
	19	Bertram Elmer Tobey	50	6	27
	21	Edward Martin Wesson	86	5	25
	22	Mary J. Jones	70	3	15
	24	Albert Small	73	3	3
	25	William Ainsworth Coombs	6	5	4
	25	Ulysse Savard	60	0	0
	28	William Franklin Dean	83	2	26
	31	Frederick H. Gross	77	9	17

Apr.	1	Jane G. Edson	92	3	4
	3	Mary Ellen Baro	64	5	28
	4	Ezra Morse	91	8	18
	7	Thomas Cuthbert McCormick	61	10	26
	7	Marie A. Sherman	81	4	24
	7	Hannah Sullivan	63	0	0
	10	Carrie F. Cobb	60	6	19
	12	John W. Darling	80	1	0
	22	Eli Boardman	58	7	26
	22	William Filemore Hallock	77	0	2
	26	Frances A. Adams	84	0	0
	29	Narcissa A. Perry	77	11	16
	29	James McCann	44	0	0
May	4	Charles Devlin	4	11	10
	13	Edward Washburn	85	5	0
	15	Senja Liinamaa	65	0	16
	25	Louise Elaine DesRosiers	0	0	2½
	27	Margaret L. Morris	20	7	29
	30	Henry Clay Tinkham	75	5	22
June	3	Nellie Harney	57	0	0
	6	Job W. DeMoranville	64	4	8
	8	Zenas Auger	85	7	28
	10	Baby Miller	0	0	2
	13	Mary A. Ruhl	72	11	9
	16	James A. Howard	68	0	0
	25	Arlene Moranville	0	0	5
	28	Herbert Wendall Churchill	57	10	9
July	2	Rudolph Robichaud	0	11	8
	2	Frank L. Howlett	51	8	10
	4	Beverly Hudson	0	0	5
	16	Julia Kontoes	40	0	0
	19	Evelyn Camillo Martins	0	10	27
	19	Elvira Elizabeth Eddy	79	11	22
	26	Frank H. Clayes	72	2	16
	28	Rosaline Desrosiers	21	4	19
	30	Emma J. Long	72	0	26
	31	Ida Florence Briggs	66	1	0
Aug.	1	Mary E. Bumpus	65	5	8
	1	Bert Heisler	47	9	11
	14	Estelle C. Doody	77	1	25
	14	Axel E. Erickson	73	5	3
	15	Hilda Costa	9	0	11
	15	Josephine Stanulewicz	39	9	11
	17	Thomas Hogan	81	4	0
	24	Mary Rachel Clough	90	0	0
	24	Horace C. Osborne	55	4	2
	31	James McQuade	68	5	6
Sept.	2	Flora Ella Lovell	81	3	0
	8	Eva May Sowerby	47	1	21
	13	Doris Elaine Pickering	0	0	1
	14	Elizabeth Billington	92	11	1
	21	David Elmer Makepeace	0	0	1
	28	Mary Eliza Deane	64	7	27
	29	Mary E. Vaughan	71	10	8
	29	Helen Bois	0	9	0



Oct.	5	Seth Alden Eaton	78	11	19
	9	Robert F. McDonald	5	4	0
	10	Frank W. Hastay	63	4	10
	18	Franklin E. Standish	68	0	0
	21	Elmer Daniel Hodgkins	67	0	4
	22	Herbert A. Pratt	51	10	12
	29	Catherine D. Young	56	10	4
	29	Grace Ella Littlefield	50	4	24
Nov.	6	Asa C. Bennett	73	4	20
	11	Susan F. Haskins	73	8	6
	11	Grover Bennett	85	6	3
	15	Jane Platt	70	1	29
Nov.	15	George C. Houlihan	29	1	13
	16	Fannie Dutra	25	3	20
	17	Margaret J. Tinkham	75	8	28
	20	Martha Boehme	62	7	2
	21	Harry Edgar Bump	52	2	10
	22	John Cox	73	5	16
	26	Asenath E. Marchant	76	7	19
	27	Isadore Sweetlovich	44	7	23
	29	Martin L. White	69	1	13
	30	Everett Tisdale Lincoln	78	10	14
Dec.	2	William P. Stickney	63	9	28
	10	Thomas P. Curry	61	0	0
	14	Ella L. Howland	74	10	25
	16	Ida E. Shattuck	86	2	9
	18	William Anthony Greene	55	3	15
	27	John Bartlett Carver	80	4	1
	28	George Herman Place	81	0	18
	28	Mary Prinzo	57	5	18

Respectfully submitted,

WALDO S. THOMAS,

Town Clerk

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

To the Board of Selectmen,  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

I hand you herewith the report of the Weights and Measures Department for the year 1929.

The State Standards and Weights located at 13 Forest St. are in excellent condition.

The Town scale located at the town barn should be scraped and painted to keep it from rust and decay. By doing this the scale will be put in first class condition to withstand the elements for some time to come. The Town standards and working equipment are all in good condition with one exception, namely, the Adv. Weights which must be given attention and renickled this coming year or they will have deteriorated so that new ones will be necessary. The large test weights have been recalibrated and painted and are now in good condition. As a whole, the conditions regarding Weights and Measures department throughout the town are very good.

The Gasoline Viz-Guage installed this year on about 99% of the gas pumps in town shows to the buying public just what they are getting for their money expended. While they are an excellent thing they are a source of continuous annoyance to the dealer, as they require constant attention, many times causing long trips, with the result that a condemned tag is affixed, by the Sealer.

During the year flour was found to be running short weight. A conference was called between the General Manager of the company involved, Town Manager Goodale and the Sealer. A satisfactory agreement was reached and put into effect at once. All short weight flour was removed from the town.

I would again recommend that all license fees for renewals or installations of pumps be advanced \$1.00 each; the amount thus received be credited to the Weights & Measures Department to make up in some way the cost of many trips where the pumps can not be sealed and another trip is required before the pump is made ready for sealing and a collection made.

During the year 1929 the following work was done:—

1992 pieces were sealed .

147 “ “ adjusted

48 “ “ condemned

11 “ “ non-sealed

1212 articles were reweighed

1199 were corrected, 13 were underweight.

Cartons were inspected in 14 stores

18 Peddlers' licenses were inspected

5 milk dealers' jars were inspected

3 “ “ cans “ “

3 coal certificates inspected

14 stores were visited and bread labels and weights inspected.

2 Transient Vendors' licenses inspected

All clinical thermometers in three drug stores were inspected and record made of each.

5 ice dealers' scales were re-inspected

2 junk “ “ “ “

34 gasoline pumps were re-tested

614 stops on gas pumps sealed

18 peddlers were followed and licenses inspected, some of which were ordered out of town as their licenses called for another state.

During the year cheese, meat and butter were added to the articles which come under local licensing.

Transient Vendors' licenses have been inspected and found to be in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth. Peddlers' licenses were all checked and several

warned against law violations. In each instance the request of the Sealer was cheerfully complied with. Ice scales, junk scales and clinic thermometers came in for a systematic inspection, also a re-inspection, and with one or two exceptions were found to be O. K.

There was one prosecution during the year for violation of the peddling laws. A \$10.00 fine was imposed.

I wish to thank Town Manager Goodale for the great assistance he has given me, also Chief Sisson and the Honorable Board for their co-operation the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS C. LITTLEJOHN,

Sealer of Weights & Measures.



## REPORT OF THE MARIA L. H. PEIRCE LUXURY FUND

To the Selectmen of Middleboro

Gentlemen:—

I beg to report that from this fund, we furnish all the tobacco, the daily papers and Sunday papers, and all particular medical or surgical appliances for the residents of the Town Farm.

At Easter time, surprise baskets of Easter dainties were given to the residents and potted plants placed in the sitting rooms and dining room of the infirmary.

Each birthday is remembered with cake and ice cream for all and a special present for the one having the natal day. Holidays are also celebrated by having cake and ice cream for supper.

About two weeks previous to Christmas, each one was given a dollar bill for Christmas shopping.

On Christmas eve each one received a present of candy, slippers, tobacco and pipe or an apron.

As we continue to use this fund, we are impressed anew with the kindness of the thought that prompted this bequest enabling us to make easier the path of some of us not so plentifully endowed.

Thanking you for granting me the opportunity to get into touch with this phase of the work, I am

Very truly yours,

LELAH M. HATHAWAY,

Trustee Maria L. H. Peirce Luxury Fund.

## REPORT OF THE MOTH DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I offer for your consideration a report of work accomplished by the Moth Department for the year 1929.

In taking up the duties of Superintendent of this department, I have endeavored to carry the work along in very much the same manner, with a few exceptions as it has been in previous years.

In the late winter and early spring all roadsides throughout our town as well as the state road from the Rochester line to the Bridgewater line were scouted and all webs of the brown tail moth were gathered and burned. The egg masses of the gypsy moth were creosoted, which renders the eggs infertile. In patrolling the town we find as yet no great evidence of the brown tail moth, although in one section of Rock Village they are very plentiful, with a few at East Main Street and some scattered ones on other streets.

It is with reluctance that I speak of the Rock situation, but with a feeling that it is a good suggestion to fruit tree owners, that they spray their trees for the control of brown tail and gypsy moths. In one case the owner did not care to invest the sum of \$2.50 and consequently the fruit trees were defoliated and the crop destroyed.

So much for the owners loss, while a very conservative estimate of the cost of gathering the webs this winter will amount to five times the cost of spraying at the right time with the probability also of near by orchards being contaminated.

The gypsy moth we find about the same as in 1928 with possibly a slight decrease. Large colonies are found on Plymouth Street near Nemasket Cemetery also at East Grove, Wood, Acorn, Chestnut and Short Streets.

The Elm leaf beetle which again appeared in 1928 are increasing at an alarming rate, and drastic measures should be used to save the beautiful trees of our town, and with the

co-operation of the towns people these pests can be controlled.

Only two reports of the satin moth were called to our attention, one at the corner of Wareham and Smith Streets and one at the corner of North and Everett, both being now under perfect control.

Spraying is in order about April 15. All roadsides of the town were treated with an arsenical spray, to control the tent caterpillar whose nests or webs are so unsightly to all who travel through the country. The same spray is used for the control of the brown tail and gypsy moth.

Private spraying is indeed quite a problem. Starting on or about May 20th and continuing from 15 to 20 days. The private spray jobs consisting of orchards, cranberry bogs, and potato fields, numbered 302. This work necessitates the use of two trucks, and two sprayers, early and late. The equipment of this department consists of one 400 gallon sprayer in first class condition capable of forcing spray to the top of our highest trees. The 200 Fitzhenry-Guptill power sprayers for lighter work that are in very poor condition and only by constant attention and care were we able to keep them in commission during the rush of private work. Through the remainder of the season, our work was completed by using parts of one to keep the other at work.

The trucks of the department are in good condition with the exception of one Ford Truck which has passed its usefulness. I earnestly recommend the purchase of one truck that in your opinion would be adequate, to replace it, also one new Fitzhenry-Guptill power sprayer, that will take care of our spraying jobs more efficiently, and economically.

For the purpose of keeping the public informed will say that this department is in a position to, and capable of, attending to any deceased tree whatever size removing if necessary or whatever surgery may be needed, also pruning fruit and shade trees. Estimates of the same gladly given.

In conclusion we thank you for your co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK S. THOMAS,  
Local Moth Superintendent



## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Board of Selectmen,  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

As my term as Inspector of Animals for the town of Middleboro expires on this day I hereby submit my report of Animal Inspection for 1928 and 1929 to date.

I have found a few cases of Tuberculosis during this year only, and I find owners are going into the "Accredited Herd Plan," more each year, which will eventually eradicate the dread disease.

At this time I believe Middleboro to be as free from Tuberculosis and perhaps more so than many of the nearby and surrounding towns.

This is the only contagious or infectious disease that has been the cause of much trouble during my term as Inspector, and Middleboro has escaped several diseases classed as such.

With few exceptions the barns are as good or perhaps even better, than they have been and in several cases I know, if they could be improved it would be beneficial to all, but in some cases the finances of the owners must be taken into consideration, as a reason why the conditions so exist or in other words, if the owners were able financially they would have better accommodations for their stock.

## SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

Number of Premises inspected	230
Number P. B. Cows H. 12 G. 12 A 21 J 17 MS 2	64
Number of P. B. Young H 7 G. 4, A 11, J 6	28
Number of Cows Grades H, 461, G, 200, A 50, J, 126, D.1	838
Number Young Grades H. 76 G, 104, A. 23, J, 39	
Red 1 MS, 1	244



Number Oxen	14
Number Bulls P. B. H 5, G 4, A. 4, J, 1 M S 1	15
Number Bulls Grades H 7 G. 7, A 1 D 2 MS 1 J 1	19
Pig	97
Sheep	1
Goats	8

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Total Number Animals	1328
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In closing permit me to note that I have found your out-laying districts much easier to reach, by reason of greatly improved "Roads" that at times in my inspections previously were almost impossible to reach in any way but by walking.

I wish to thank Mr. Goodale, the Town Manager for all co-operation and assistance given me and I consider it a great privilege to have worked for so efficient and gentlemanly official.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. R. BORDEN, D. V. S.

Board of Selectmen,  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

Number of cattle shipped into Middleboro under State Test	114
Number of reactors killed	16
Number of dogs quarantined	7
Number of dogs killed having symptoms of rabies	2
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Very truly yours,

JOHN H. PUSHEE

## REPORT OF WIRE INSPECTOR.

Board of Selectmen  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen;—

I herewith submit my annual report as inspector of wires in the town of Middleboro ending December 31, 1929.

Total number of jobs reported for inspection	466
Number of minor jobs of which no inspection was made	27
Number of jobs not passed until corrections were made	15
Number of jobs yet to be inspected	16
Number of miles traveled on inspections	1238

I have reported three electricians to the State Examiners of Electricians for prosecution for violating our Local By-Laws and Electric Department Regulations; also one for doing electrical work without a license.

One thing that gives considerable trouble is the wiring done by an owner or tenant who has little or no knowledge of how to properly install wires to comply with safety rules and who fail to report any wiring done, as required by our By-Laws and Regulations of the Lighting Plant.

Another cause of trouble comes from the use of the cheap bridge or floor lamps. They are wired with small improperly insulated wire and soon give trouble.

I have re-inspected a number of old wiring jobs and have found a number of places where additions to the original wiring have been made in such a way that it caused a fire and life hazard. In such cases the owner or tenant has been notified and given a limited time to put the wiring in proper condition. I have found a few places where defective wiring was causing the meter to register all the time.

I am taking particular notice of the fusing of circuits to see that they are properly fused, as when the proper size fuse is used there is less liability of trouble even if the wiring is in poor condition.

I have attended ten meetings of the Massachusetts Association of Municipal Electrical Inspectors held in Boston. These meetings are of great importance to all wire inspectors as any unusual problems that have come up in any of the cities and towns are thoroughly discussed so that all the inspectors get a better understanding of what they may expect to find and be in a better position to handle them should they come up in his Town.

In conclusion I want to thank those electricians and others who have in any way helped to raise the standard of wiring in this Town the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH SAMPSON,

Inspector of Wires

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

The work this year, as in past years, has been wholly in removing dead trees and cutting out the dead limbs in others. While we have not taken down all the dead ones, we have selected those considered most dangerous, as our appropriation is not large enough to do all the work that proper regard for public safety would seem to indicate was necessary.

Dead trees have been removed on John Glass Jr. Square, Southwick, East Main, Courtland, West, Vine, Elm, High and Oak Streets.

All this work has been done by the men in the Moth Department and the cost charged to the Tree Warden Account. All the money charged to this account has been for labor and supplies, as the Tree Warden receives no compensation for the time he puts in on this work.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. GOODALE,

Tree Warden.



## FOREST WARDEN

There were forty-one calls for the services of this department this year, to put out grass and forest fires. The total acreage burned over was 28, and the estimated loss only \$114.00, as all the fires were either grass or on land of practically no value. The largest area burned in one fire was only four acres, and we had only one Railroad fire.

The cost of this department for this year, \$303.88, was for labor and materials, as the Forest Warden receives no salary.

H. J. GOODALE,  
Forest Warden.

## REPORT OF DOG OFFICER.

Number of males licensed	766
Number of females licensed	168
Number of kennel licenses	2
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Total	936

Out of the total number of 69 stray dogs that were picked up, 13 were either claimed by their owners or suitable homes were found for them; the remaining 56 stray dogs were killed.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. HEWITT,

Dog Officer

# APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE SELECTMEN MAR. 1, 1929

Town Clerk & Accounting Officer	Waldo S. Thomas
Assessor	Harrison F. Shurtleff
Overseer of the Poor	Lelah Hathaway
Registrar of Voters	Minnie A. Jones
Health Officer	John T. Connor
Tree Warden	Harry J. Goodale
Burial Agent	Kendrick H. Washburn
Dog Officer	Robert Hewitt
Field Driver & Pound Keeper	E. Kimball Harrison
Fence Viewers	Alden C. Sisson
	Frederick S. Weston
	James A. Thomas
	Luther B. Pratt
Inspector of Animals	John H. Pushee
Inspector of Slaughtering	John T. Connor
Inspector of Milk	John T. Connor
Inspector of Wires	Ralph Sampson
Sealer Weights & Measures	Louis C. Littlejohn
Soldiers' Physicians	Dr. E. L. Perry
	Dr. A. Vincent Smith
Town Hall Agent	E. Kimball Harrison
Trustees of the Public Library	Walter L. Beals
	Leonard O. Tillson
	Nathan Washburn
Town Counsel	Nathan Washburn
Keeper of Lockup	Alden C. Sisson

## Public Weighers

Louis Ritter	Louis C. Littlejohn
Lura A. Bradford	Ernest S. Pratt
Howard T. Lincoln	John Dutra
Mable McCrillis	Wilson S. Scudder

Edwin F. Shaw  
 Albert F. Soule  
 Elliot H. Perkins  
 John Rebell  
 Avard L. Gates  
 Ralph D. Kelly

Jesse Hall  
 Lewis F. Harding  
 John E. McManus  
 Ivan B. Sparrow  
 Garrett E. Whitty

#### Special Police Officers

Paul Anderson  
 Louis C. Littlejohn  
 Ralph Sampson  
 Myron A. Bump  
 Warren E. Jefferson  
 S. Edward Mathews  
 Samuel Hathaway  
 Arthur B. Caswell  
 William O. Casey  
 Patrick McMahan  
 John J. Sullivan  
 Archer S. Phillips  
 Frank P. Stanton

Alton T. Smith  
 Frank Harrington  
 James J. Vigers  
 John Callan  
 E. Kimball Harrison  
 Elmer Gay  
 Lorenzo W. Rice  
 Bert S. Brown  
 Robert E. Hewitt  
 Walter Carmichael  
 George A. Barney  
 Ernest St. Armand  
 George R. Fredette

#### Measurer of Wood, Bark & Lumber

Leo. A. Quindley  
 Frank S. Thomas  
 William G. Wilcox  
 Charles N. Warren  
 Benjamin C. Shaw  
 Forest S. Churbuck  
 Albert T. Savery  
 Levi O. Atwood  
 Albert Deane  
 James A. Thomas  
 Chester E. Weston  
 William F. Clark

Frederick S. Weston  
 Myron W. Baxter  
 I. Mendall Boehme  
 Robert R. Melville  
 Harrison F. Shurtleff  
 David P. Wilcox  
 Henry W. Sears  
 Ernest I. Perkins  
 N. S. Cushing, Jr.  
 Ernest S. Pratt

#### Constables

Alden C. Sisson  
 Harry Allen

E. Kimball Harrison



## ELECTION OFFICERS

### PRECINCT 1

Warden—Bert J. Allan  
 Deputy Warden—Robert C. West  
 Clerk—Percy W. Keith  
 Deputy Clerk—Ernest I. Perkins  
 Inspector—Benjamin E. Holmes  
 Inspector—Harold M. Pratt  
 Deputy Inspector—William C. Allison  
 Deputy Inspector—Horace W. Macomber  
 Officer—Josiah T. Carver

### PRECINCT II.

Warden—Luke F. Kelley  
 Deputy Warden—John F. Perry  
 Clerk—John T. Connor  
 Deputy Clerk—Frank S. Thomas  
 Inspector—Frank Read  
 Inspector—John J. Mahoney  
 Deputy Inspector—Ralph W. Maddigan  
 Deputy Inspector—Stephen F. O'Hara  
 Officer—E. Kimball Harrison

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT, DECEMBER 31ST, 1929

## Number of Registered Voters Jan. 9th, 1929 .

Precinct 2	Men	1978
	Women	1755
Precinct 1	Men	106
	Women	98
Total Men		2084
Total Women		1853
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Total Voters		3937

## Number of Registered Voters Jan. 9th, 1930

Precinct 2	Men	1974
	Women	1764
Precinct 1	Men	105
	Women	98
Total Men		2079
Total Women		1862
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Total Voters		3941

There were five public meetings and several private meetings of the Board. At the public meetings, forty-four names were added to the voting list. The other meetings were devoted to adjusting the lists to date.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. COUGHLIN,

Chairman of Board

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Much more work has been done by this department this year than any previous one, due to the larger appropriation, and use of the gravel crushing plant, purchased in 1928, through the whole year.

The purchase of this plant has proved to be a very wise one, and one that just fits our particular needs. With the addition of this plant to our equipment we have been able to place much better material on our roads, and at a much less cost than ever before. With the old method of loading our trucks with a belt conveyor we thought that we were very fortunate if we could build gravel roads at a cost of \$1.25 per cubic yard. This year we have brought the cost down to \$0.97 per cubic yard, and as we have used 14812 cubic yards, this represents a saving of \$4,147.36, or nearly the total cost of the plant.

The roads upon which we have worked this year are given in the following schedule:—

Street	Cu Yds. Gravel.	Cost	
Thompson St.	1521	\$1171.45	
River St.	1768	1402.77	
Summer St.	1875	2285.33	
Vernon St.	1152	1355.94	
Center St.	3886	4336.89	Total 1928 & 29. Gravel 5770 cu. yds. cost \$6277.16.
Ca nbridge St.	220	233.22	
Frank St.	156	340.52	
Shaw Ave.	187	170.51	
Rice St.	245	431.13	Includes oiling .
Montello St.	915	2137.12	Gutters completed, road in- complete.
Benton St.	220	362.66	Includes setting curb.
Wood & Bridge Sts.	892	959.99	
Pleasant St.	730	615.60	
	<hr/> 13,767	<hr/> \$15,803.13	

1055 cu. yds. of gravel placed on ten other streets at a cost of \$1261.96.

## SIDEWALKS

Gravel and ash sidewalks have been built on Webster, Oak, Forest, Clifford, Center, Vine and Bourne Streets.

The appropriation for this work was materially reduced this year so that little could be accomplished. I trust that it will be increased for 1930 as there is much that should be done.

Cement walks were built this year on the south side of Center St. from Oak St. westerly; on the northerly side of Center Avenue, and on the easterly side of Pearl St. from Peirce St. southerly. This appropriation was also much too small to meet the demands for hard walks.

## CENTER STREET IMPROVEMENT

The car tracks in the middle of Center St. have been a nuisance and source of danger for a long time. With the discontinuance of the use of these tracks by the Street Railroad, an opportunity was given us to cover them up and oil the whole surface of the road. This was done early in the summer and has not only improved the appearance of the street, but eliminated a source of danger.

## DRAINAGE.

Drainage conditions in the center of the town are bad, and as soon as money is available this situation should be remedied, particularly the North St. section at the junction of Myrtle, School, Pearl and Rice Streets, and on Vine and West Streets.

There are poorly constructed drains put in quite a few years ago in both of these sections, and it is only by spending a considerable sum of money each year that they are made to work at all, and even then are very unsatisfactory.



## OILING AND PATCHING

54800 gallons of road oil were used this year, and 10570 gallons of patching material. The continual increase of gravel surfaced roads and the increased use of automobiles necessitates an annual increase in the appropriation each year if the surface of the roads is to be kept in the condition which the citizens have a right to expect.

## BRIDGES

The bridge on Soule St. has been repaired and replaced the stringers and flooring.

A much needed improvement has been made on the approach to the river bridge on Vernon St. The road at this point was very narrow and the guard rail badly rotted. To remedy this condition cement curbs on top of the retaining walls were put in and wire guard fence erected. This work widens the road and corrects a very dangerous condition.

Culverts have been rebuilt on Marion Road, Center, Ash, Bedford and Clay Streets. By keeping these waterways open added protection is given to the roads.

## SEWERS

The usual number of new connections have been made this year, and the usual number of stoppages have been cleared.

All the catch basins have been cleaned out twice, and many of them three times.

One extension on Clifford Street has been made. In doing this we encountered ledge nearly the whole length, which increased the cost of construction considerably above the estimate.

## SNOW

Although no large snow storm occurred during the year it was necessary to plow the roads once in January, three times in February, once in March, and once in December.

Total snow fall for the year was 36 inches.

## EQUIPMENT

Our equipment with the exception of the crushing and hot mixing plant at the yard are in very good condition.

The boiler used to operate these plants is nearly worn out, and we may with considerable patching and careful use get by with it this year, but have been informed by the inspector that that is all we may expect of it. If we are to use this plant another year we will need to purchase some electric motors, as this will be cheaper to operate than steam and much more convenient.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL F. ANDERSON,

Superintendent.

## JURY LIST, MIDDLEBORO, MASS.

June 29, 1929.

James H. DeMoranville, Shoeworker, Center St.  
Herbert L. Johnson, Tel. Empl., Clay St.  
John Sigworth, Farmer, Mill St.  
William C. Allison, Shoeworker, Pleasant St.  
Nathan P. Richmond, Shoeworker, Pleasant St.  
Robert C. West, Farmer, Pleasant St.  
Claude H. Turkington, Farmer, Plymouth St.  
Anthony C. Coombs, Salesman, Alden St.  
Valentine Deane, Shoeworker, Arch St.  
Ernest St. Amond, Shoeworker, Arch St.  
William J. Huxley, Shoeworker, Arch St.  
Winthrop E. Benson, Shoeworker, Arch St.  
William H. Hayward, Clerk, Barden Hill Road  
Victor Landstrom, Plumber, Barden Hill Road  
Chester V. Duncklee, Clerk, Barrows St.  
Ernest B. Jones, Contractor, Barrows St.  
Herbert W. Cornish, Carpenter, Benton St.  
Myron L. Hinckley, Jeweler, Benton St.  
William J. Coughlin, Shoeworker, Benton St.  
Charles A. Shaw, Salesman, Bourne St.  
Kenneth C. Leonard, Salesman, Bourne St.  
Earl C. Raymond, Shoeworker, Carey St.  
Chester S. Mendell, Shoeworker, Center St.  
Gilbert Broadbent, Mechanic, Center St.  
Charles L. Card, Shoeworker, Center St.  
Charles E. Reed, Mechanic, Center St.  
Ralph J. McQuade, Clerk, Center Ave.  
Paul Greene, Florist, Cherry St.  
L. Mendall Boehme, Clerk, Coombs St.  
Merton Braley, Painter, Court End Ave.  
Rhodolphus P. Alger, Salesman, Court End Ave.  
Harold A. Williams, Merchant, Courtland St.  
Maynard H. Goodridge, Shoeworker, Courtland St.  
Walter E. Wells, Ins. Agt., Elm St.

Frank E. Benton, Carpenter, Everett St.  
 James Maxim, Laborer, Everett St.  
 William E. Whitty, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Daniel H. Harrington, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Everett W. Martin, Insurance, Everett St.  
 Albert B. Shaw, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Ralph E. Longfellow, Mechanic, Everett St.  
 George E. Budd, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Roger V. Anderson, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Franklin A. Peirce, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 John A. Witbeck, Clerk, Everett St.  
 Elijah S. Ober, Farmer, Everett St.  
 Robert E. Hewitt, Shoeworker, Fairview St.  
 A. Dalton Champlin, Clerk, Forest St.  
 Joseph P. Hayden, Shoeworker, Forest St.  
 Austin L. Beals, Salesman, E. Grove St.  
 Arthur B. Caswell, Shoeworker, Jackson St.  
 Mason H. Leggee, Shoeworker, Lovell St.  
 Fletcher L. Barrows, Shoe Mfgr., So. Main St.  
 Ezra F. Shaw, Varnish Mfgr., So. Main St.  
 Albert D. Walker, Student, So. Main St.  
 William D. McMillan, Shoeworker, So. Main St.  
 Elwyn B. Lynde, Retired, So. Main St.  
 Morrill S. Ryder, Retired, So. Main St.  
 Charles W. Clark, Farmer, So. Main St.  
 Allerton E. Wilbur, Farmer, Marion Road  
 Harlas L. Cushman, Salesman, Miller St.  
 Herbert W. Batchelder, Shoeworker, Montello St.  
 Ernest S. Pratt, Ice Dealer, North St.  
 Royal G. Nourse, Shoeworker, North St.  
 Bernard S. Howes, Salesman, North St.  
 D. Melvern Gammons, Shoeworker, North St.  
 Alfred Hodder, Barber, Oak St.  
 Charles Boehme, Shoeworker, Pearl St.  
 H. Dexter Parrish, Shoeworker, Pearl St.



William A. Green, Foreman, Pearl St.  
 John M. Deane, Farmer, Precinct St.  
 Sylvanus L. Brett, Shoecutter, Rock St.  
 Sylvester Green, Shoeworker, Shaw Ave.  
 Harry W. Howes, Supt., Thomas St.  
 Fred Lang, Shoeworker, Union St.  
 Robert A. Clark, Salesman, Walnut St.  
 Elisha H. Shaw, Clerk, Wareham St.  
 Henry P. Messer, Shoeworker, Wareham St.  
 Henry J. Campbell, Shoeworker, Wareham St.  
 Harris B. Tripp, Chauffeur, Wareham St.  
 William F. Shaw, Ins. Agt., Wareham St.  
 Allan R. Thatcher, Manager, Webster St.  
 Howard J. Shurtleff, Shoeworker, Webster St.  
 Leslie G. Moranville, Shoeworker, Webster St.  
 George W. Perkins, Machinist Webster St.  
 Charles C. Chandler, Foreman, Webster St.  
 Edward Begley, Merchant, Webster St.  
 Horace K. Atkins, Photo finisher, Williams Place  
 John E. Erickson, Y. M. C. A., Wood St.  
 Freeman T. Shaw, Mechanic, Wood St.  
 William L. Frost, Farmer, Wood St.  
 Charles H. Tripp, Fish dealer, E. Main St.  
 Arthur Belcher, Clerk, E. Main St.  
 Frank Leighton, Merchant, E. Main St.  
 Matthew Allison, Clerk, E. Main St.  
 Alonzo R. Dealtry, Clerk, No. Main St.  
 Walter C. Shaw, State Emp., No. Main St.  
 S. Forest Smith, Shoeworker, Pearl St.  
 Charles A. Lee, Retired, Pearl St.  
 Elmer E. Phinney, Secretary, Pearl Court  
 Adnah H. Harlow, Salesman, Peirce St.  
 A. LeRoy Chadwick, Shipper, Peirce St.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR PLYMOUTH COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE, 1929.

The Plymouth County Extension Service cooperated with citizens in every town in the county this past year in bringing to them information about agriculture and home-making. Local and county-wide meetings were held for this purpose. Through the meetings and by means of correspondence, press notices, and by individual service, thousands of men, women, boys, and girls, were instructed in the better performance of farm operations and home duties.

Many Middleboro people attended the meetings, demonstrations, and tours conducted by the county agent. At one series of three dairy meetings, an orchard tour, and a turkey growers' meeting, held in Middleboro, there was an attendance of more than 300 farmers. Representatives of the Massachusetts Agricultural College and leading farmers were the speakers. The county agent visited 32 different farms in the town to leave definite advice about poultry raising, dairying, and orcharding. Letters and bulletins on agricultural subjects are sent regularly to 152 Middleboro farmers.

The town also had an exceptionally strong extension program for the home-makers. Six garment finish groups were formed in various parts of the town and successfully completed this project. Middleboro also participated in other clothing projects and had a share in the nutrition and garden programs. The local extension committee is planning an equally strong program for the current year.

Thirty-one boys and girls enrolled in the 4-H clothing, garden, and canning clubs in 1929. The enrollment for 1930 winter clubs now includes 75 boys and girls who are studying food, clothing, and handicraft. The clubs are all organized and holding meetings regularly with their leaders. They are following out their programs with actual experience at home.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR STANDISH,  
Local Agent.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Middleboro, Mass.

December 31, 1929.

Board of Health,  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my first annual report of slaughtering for year ending December 31, 1929.

No one made application for licenses to slaughter during year. What was done was by people who raised them.

Number of Neat Cattle	0
Number of Veal	1
Number of Hogs	10
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	11 Total

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. CONNOR,

Inspector of Slaughtering.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF MILK

Middleboro, Mass.  
December 31, 1929

Board of Health  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my first annual report. On September 17, I was appointed to the position left vacant by resignation of Mr. Edward B. Van Dusen. Since then I have taken four collections of milk from some thirty-two dairies, comprising some three hundred and fifty cows.

From the report of Mr. George E. Bolling of Brockton, two of them contained garget. Most of them were up to standard in solids and butter fats, and only in two was the bacteria high, all the rest were very low in bacteria. They were attended to at once and on second test were found all right.

I have received a letter from Dr. George H. Bigelow, wanting me to bring before your Board to have tubercular tested cows. I did, and on August 24, you held a public hearing, which I could not attend, as I was away; but it seems all of the producers who did attend were opposed, unless it became a county law, and your Board voted to lay the matter on the table.

But I hope sometime in the near future you will hold another public hearing and I will have someone from the state to speak in favor of it.

Licenses and Permits issued in 1929.

Milk Licenses	93
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Oleomargarine	8
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Summary of Milk Analysis.

Analysis for Butter Fat	82
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“	“ Total Solids	82
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“	“ garget	5
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Respectfully,

JOHN T. CONNOR,

Inspector of Milk



## REPORT OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

Middleboro, Mass.  
December 31, 1929.

The Board of Health  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my First Annual Report. I came into office April 1, 1929, and found a peculiar situation. There were a number of chickenpox cases reported and on going around, I found most of them adults and all of them had chickenpox before, also, that none of them had ever been vaccinated. On April 19, I had 49 active cases and among them some very bad cases.

On April 22, I attended a Health Convention at Hyannis where I met Dr. Richard P. MacKnight and called his attention to conditions here. He came to Middleboro that same evening. I showed him some of the worst cases. He reported to Commissioner of Contagious Diseases, Dept. of State, Dr. Clarence L. Scamman, who with Dr. Place of Boston City Hospital, came to town April 23, and pronounced them smallpox, and advised me to call a meeting of the Board for that evening, which was done, and they advised compulsory vaccination, which the Board granted.

On April 25, vaccination started in different sections of the town, at the Town House, Church chapel, at the Green, South Middleboro School, North Middleboro at Pratt Free School and the Community Church at Rock. The first day there were over five thousand vaccinations, and I want to state here, that both Dr. Scamman and Dr. Place said they had never seen such hearty cooperation as the people of Middleboro had shown and they were very much pleased.

From then on conditions began to improve. The last onset was May 5. Of the 223 cases in town, we had 1 in January, 5 in February, 40 in March, 144 in April and 33 in May. God was very merciful to us, as not a death occurred and the expense was not as great as many anticipated.

Total vaccinations April 25-28, 1929	9,906
Total Read May 2-4, 1929	6,860
Of those read there were 6342+ and 518 revaccinations	
Percentage of	92.4%
Out of town vaccinations	665

I want to thank all the Doctors for their courtesy to me, also, Town Manager Goodale, Superintendent of Schools, J. Stearns Cushing, Health Nurse, Miss Helen Pasztor and Chief of Police Sisson, Motorcycle Officer Murdock for their great help in relieving the people in quarantine, also, your Board for your confidence in me during this trying period.

### HEALTH NURSE

Miss Helen Pasztor, R. N., has taken a great interest in the Dental Clinic. She has had from ten to fifteen children from the lower grades in every Wednesday morning to have their teeth cleaned, extracted or filled. Dr. Wood has done a great work for the short time he has. We have attended Health Conventions at Hyannis, Osterville, New Bedford, South Hanson and Canton.

### CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

Scarlet fever has had quite a run for the past two years. There were some seventy-seven cases from the first of year until school closed in June. Until the opening of school in September there were no contagious Diseases, when six cases were reported from Union St. School. Then we had some fourteen cases reported from School Street. At no

time has the situation been serious. I have been in consultation with Dr. Richard P. MacKnight and Superintendent of Schools Cushing. We have had Dr. Smith and Miss Pasztor visit these schools every day, but conditions are no different here than in a number of cities and towns where the same thing has occurred. Outside of the scarlet fever cases we have no communicable diseases reported since opening of the schools.

There has been no new tubercular cases. We have six patients at Plymouth County Hospital.

RECORDS OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT ON CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

Month	Anterio Plomelitsis	Chickenpox	German Measles	Pneumonia Lobar	Measles	Scarlet Fever	Mumps	Smallpox	Whooping Cough	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Other forms of Tuberculosis	TOTAL
January				3	2	18		1	10			34
February		2			11	18		5				36
March		2			87	28		40	6			163
April						16		144				160
May		17			6	5		33				61
June		5				2	1			2		10
July		5									1	6
August												
September		4				20						24
October	1	4	1			14				1		21
November				1		23						24
December		1		1		14			6			22
												561

BAKERIES

I have made two inspections of bakeries, one with State Inspector and found most of them complying with the law. In a few cases their attention was called to some of the things which needed to be done, and they were complied with cheerfully.

The restaurants and wayside stands were investigated a number of times during the summer, and will say that in most cases the owners want to do everything that the law requires, and I have had hearty cooperation from them.



## Garbage

The collection of garbage was handled in a very satisfactory manner the past summer. Very few complaints were made, and I want to congratulate Mr. Jennings in the way he has handled it.

## Public Dump

When I came into office there were numbers of complaints on the condition of the dump. I appointed Mr. A. A. Sisson caretaker and have had nothing but praise for him, the way he has handled it. He has a place built in from East Grove Street where the trucks can back in and dump very easily, also, keeps all papers and such burned up. Had a number of complaints about the rats there. We obtained a poison that we put around there. Mr. Sisson tells me that there are very few of them now, and I have not had a complaint for months.

## Financial Statement

Milk Licenses	93 at 50c.	\$46.50
Alcohol	“ 22 at \$1.00	22.00
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		\$68.50

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. CONNOR, Agent

The duties of a Public Health and School Nurse are so closely inter-related that it is impractical to separate the activities into two reports. Therefore I have written a full report of my duties under one heading namely “The Report of the Public Health and School Nurse” which you will find incorporated under the School Department Report.

HELEN B. PASZTOR, R. N.



## MIDDLEBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY

January 10, 1930

To the President and Board of Trustees  
of the Middleborough Public Library:

I have the honor to present the annual report covering the year ending December 31, 1929.

This year the library rounds out twenty-five years in the building so generously given to the people of Middleboro by Mr. Thomas Sproat Peirce. Middleboro is indeed fortunate to have a library of such size and beauty, and in the twenty-five years of its existence many architects and other visitors have praised the beautiful architecture and design of the building.

On April 25, 1904 the new library building was opened for the inspection of the townspeople, and the following day was opened for business. That the new library was popular is evidenced by the fact that the circulation for that year showed an increase of 15,000 over the previous year when the library was located in the Town Hall.

## CIRCULATION

In the year 1904 the circulation for the year was 44,410 and in 1929, twenty-five years later the library issued 81,863 books. Of the books issued, 49,197 were fiction, 13,685 non-fiction, 3,918 magazines, 119 foreign books and 18,926 were borrowed from the young peoples' room.

On February 23, 1929 the library had the largest circulation in its history issuing on that day 669 books. That February is the peak month is shown by the fact that other record days have all occurred in that month, the one previously having been on February 20, 1926 when 601 books were issued.

## EFFECT OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

The circulation for 1929 would undoubtedly have been much larger had it not been for the epidemic which visited the town in the Spring. During this epidemic of smallpox our circulation dropped to about one third of its usual volume, despite the assurances of the doctors that no possible harm could come from library books. It took many months for the public to overcome their fear and it was not until well into the Fall that circulation became normal.

We lost a great many books because of contagious diseases, as it is a rigid rule of the library never to take back a book that has been in a home where there has been contagious disease, whether or not the book has been in the room or in contact in any way with the one who is ill. The borrower is instructed to destroy the book and the library stands the loss, feeling it is wiser to sacrifice the book and save the peace of mind and retain the confidence of the public.

## BRANCHES

The branch that was opened in North Middleboro at the request of the Community Club is functioning well under the efficient supervision of Mrs. Stephen Richmond, who generously gives her time and home to this work.

Deposits of books are kept at the Rock, South Middleboro and Bates Schools, and at the Montgomery Home.

After nine years of efficient and loyal service, Miss Laura Deane has found it impossible to continue the branch that has been located in her home at East Middleboro. Miss Deane has given a great deal of her time and energy to this work without any financial recompensation, and to her we owe a debt of gratitude for having made it possible for the people of East Middleboro to enjoy books from the main library.

## REPAIRS

During the twenty-five years the library has been built almost nothing has been done in the way of repairs. The time has come when some re-decorating is necessary.

In September the Trustees Room was re-decorated. Sanitas wall covering in a soft grey was put upon the walls and the paint was refinished in a warm ivory, making a very attractive room.

There is much that remains to be done, and the coming year it is hoped that more re-decorating may be done where it seems to be most needed.

## ACTIVITIES

In January the library sponsored a series of talks on new books given by Mrs. Wanda Power Tauber of the Personal Book Shop, Boston. This course proved very popular, and we are planning to have Mrs. Tauber give another course the coming year.

The Cabot Club had a most interesting exhibit and talk on etchings in the Community Room on January 11th. Under the same auspices was held an exhibit of batik and tied-and-dyed work, with a lecturer from Boston.

In May John Callan, a local artist, held an exhibit of his work in the exhibition hall of the library. The walls were filled with paintings and drawings of unusual merit, and the display aroused much interest.

The Community Room is in constant use, the District Nursing Association, State University Extension, the Symphonic Society, the Cabot Club, the Girl Scouts and other societies enjoying its use.

During Book Week, which this year came in the week of November 17th, an exhibition was held of the work of Middleboro artists. This not only included paintings and drawings by local people, but also basketry, needlework, hand



wrought jewelry, painted china and iron work, tinted winter bouquets, photography, cabinet and batik work.

This exhibition aroused more interest than any previously held, and there was large attendance every afternoon and evening during the week the exhibit was open. Because of the many requests, the exhibition was kept open into the next week.

The staff has been well represented at library conferences. Miss Florence Robinson attended the meeting of the American Library Association held in Washington in May. The librarian was in attendance at the conference of the Massachusetts Library Club held in June at Provincetown. Other members of the staff have attended meetings in Brockton, Boston and other nearby cities.

The librarian spoke on new books before the Evening Alliance of the Unitarian Church, the Cabot Club and the Parent Teachers Association, and at the High School on "Books as Companions" before the Southeastern Massachusetts League of School Publications

## IN APPRECIATION

We are very grateful to all those who contributed their handiwork to our exhibition held during Book Week and so helped to make it the success it was.

We wish to express our thanks to the teachers in charge of deposits of books, to Mrs. Richmond of North Middleboro and others who are helping in this way.

It is with sincere regret and a deep sense of gratitude to the librarian there that we discontinue the branch at East Middleboro. Miss Laura Deane has given her loyal service for over nine years.

The Middleboro Gazette has been most generous in allowing us space. That this type of publicity is of great benefit to the library is evidenced by the many calls we receive for the books mentioned in the columns of the Gazette.



We are grateful to the friends who have presented the library with books, magazines, plants and flowers.

The librarian wishes to take this opportunity once more to express to the Board of Trustees her very great appreciation for their cooperation and loyal support, and to the staff for their faithful service which has made possible the successful year just reviewed.

## STATISTICS

### Circulation of books

#### Central Library

##### Adult circulation

Fiction	48,331	
Philosophy	437	
Religion	216	
Sociology	707	
Languages	55	
Sciences	690	
Useful arts	1,140	
Fine Arts	958	
Literature	1,640	
History	931	
Travel	1,418	
Biography	1,249	
Magazines	3,918	
Foreign	119	
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##### Juvenile circulation

Fiction	8,791	
Non-fiction	8,208	
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Branch circulation				
East Middleboro				
	Fiction	489		
	Non-fiction	63		
	Juvenile	219		
		<hr/>	771	
North Middleboro				
	Fiction	324		
	Non-fiction	84		
	Juvenile	95		
		<hr/>	503	
South Middleboro School				
	Non-fiction	4		
	Juvenile	267		
		<hr/>	271	
Rock School				
	Juvenile		391	
Bates School				
	Fiction	108		
	Non-fiction	56		
	Juvenile	955	1,119	3,055
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Total circulation for 1929				81,863
Number of volumes owned by library Jan. 1, 1929				31,387
"	"	"	added by purchase	1,027
"	"	"	" " gift	68
"	"	"	" " binding	48
			(magazines)	
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Total number of volumes added				1,143
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				32,530

Number of volumes lost or discarded	409	
Number of volumes owned by library Dec. 31, 1929		<hr/> 32,121
New cards issued		
Adults	209	
Juveniles (Under 14 years)	167	
	<hr/>	376

Respectfully submitted,

MERTIE E. WITBECK,  
Librarian.

## MIDDLEBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT OF THE CHIEF

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to present herewith, for your consideration, the ninth annual report of the Chief of the Middleboro Fire Department, for the year ending December 31, 1929, in accordance with Section 16 of Chapter 592, Acts 1920.

### APPARATUS

The apparatus of the department consists of the following:—

1 Maxim 1000 Gallon Pumping Engine purchased April 23, 1928.

1 Maxim 500 Gallon Pumping Engine, purchased June 28, 1920.

1 Knox Combination Chemical and Hose Car, purchased October 14, 1912.

1 Maxim City Service Ladder Truck, purchased October 11, 1915.

1 Maxim Hose Car, purchased May 12, 1914.

All are well supplied with ladders, 3 gallon hand extinguishers and the most necessary appliances for aiding the extinguishing of fires.

### ORGANIZATION

The personnel of the Department at the close of the year is as follows:

One Call Chief.

One Permanent Deputy Chief.

One Call Deputy Chief.

One Permanent Captain.



Four Call Captains.

Eight Permanent Drivers.

Thirty-nine Call Men and nine substitute members.

One Fire Police.

A total of 65 members.

## OPERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT ALARMS

Month	Box	Squad	Still	Warden	Totals
Jan.		6	17	3	26
Feb.		2	5		7
Mar.	1	5	8	7	21
Apr.		3	9	4	16
May	1	6	6	3	16
June	1	3	2	5	11
July	2	4	6	4	16
Aug.	1	2	4	4	11
Sept.	3	2	4		9
Oct.	2	6	5		13
Nov.		9	5		14
Dec.		3	6		9
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Totals	11	51	77	30	169

### Equipment used

	21½ hose	¾ hose	3 gal. tanks	40 gal. foamite tank	PC pyrene	
Box	3650'	1400'	8	1		
Squad	2450	5400	41	1		
Still		2850	61		4	1
Warden			58		70	
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	6100'	9650'	168	1	2	74

## Mileage

	Box	Squad	Still	Warden	Total
Engine No. 1	14.7	381	133.4		529.1
Engine No. 2	14.7	13.5			28.2
Comb. No. 1	14.7	1.7		1.7	18.1
Comb. No. 2	14.7	12.6	9.1	179.7	216.1
Ladder No. 1	14.7				14.7
Totals	73.5	408.8	142.5	181.4	806.2

Hose on hand Jan. 1, 1930	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	6250
	$\frac{3}{4}$ "	750
3 Gal. tanks charged		126

## FIRE LOSSES

## Claims settled 1929

Assessed value buildings	\$40,900.00
Insurance on buildings	84,300.00
Estimated value of contents	34,200.00
Insurance on contents	32,200.00
Damage to buildings	28,120.47
Damage to contents	11,857.77
Insurance paid on buildings	28,120.47
Insurance paid on contents	10,232.77
Total values	\$75,100.00
Total insurance	116,500.00
Total damage	39,978.24
Total insurance paid	38,353.24

## Permits issued

Gasoline	53
Garage	13
Fireworks	5
Dynamite	4

## Inspections

Business property	1367
Special	125
Leonard & Barrows	87

The apparatus is in good performing condition.

Ladder 1 and Combination 2 wagon need painting and varnishing very much. The engine of Engine 1 has been thoroughly overhauled, cylinders reground and new brake drums put on. For additional safety measure, booster brakes have been installed.

The total alarms have fallen off this year, most notably in the Box and Still alarms. Perhaps the decrease in Still alarms, and in fact all alarms, may be attributed to the efficient inspection of all buildings in town last year, and owners' and occupants' attention called to the then existing fire hazards and advice given to remedying them. In addition to this the continual inspection of all business properties with the cooperation of tenants in endeavoring to minimize fire hazards, has been a significant factor in not only reducing the number of fires, but the fire losses.

As you will note, with the assessed value of buildings of \$40,900.00 and estimated value of contents of \$42,000.00, the damage in excess of insurance paid was only \$1625 for the year, this being the lowest loss for a number of years. There has been almost 100 special inspections more than reported in 1928. By direction of your Board, the daily inspection of one of the factories has been made.

To all property owners, especially in the suburbs, I would like to emphasize the importance of inspection and cleaning out of their chimneys. This will result in less calls for the Fire Department to respond to, lessen the possibility of losing your home, and perhaps prevent damage to the apparatus, or fatal accident to those responding with the apparatus, such as was so recently averted in responding to a call of this kind.

The facilities provided by the installation of the dry hydrant connected to the pond at Rock Village, and one at the river in North Middleboro, will prove of great value in case of any serious fire in the vicinity of either.

In connection with these installations and those installed in Nevertouch Pond for additional protection for the Geo. E. Keith factory, I fully concur with ex-chief Maxim and recommended in last year's budget, in the desirability of purchasing 1000 feet of 3 inch hose. This was a part of the program as laid out in 1927 in connection with these dry hydrants, for in the case of Geo. E. Keith and North Middleboro, and possibly Rock Village, because of the distance of source of supply from where needed it would become necessary to use one pumper as a booster pump to be placed 1000 feet from either pond or river.

The value of the 3 inch hose over the 2½ inch was based on the following:

Friction loss per 100 feet in 2½ inch hose is 16.4 lbs. and on the 3 inch, 3.6 lbs.

With 3 inch hose, 85 lbs. pressure at the pump will deliver the same amount of water that it takes 200 lbs. at pump to deliver through 2½ in. hose.

With 200 lbs. pressure at pump, 1000 feet, 3 in. hose will deliver 345 gallons with a nozzle pressure of 85 lbs., while 2½ inch hose will deliver only 251 gal. per minute, and at a nozzle pressure of 45 lbs.

It is readily apparent which is the most effective for fire fighting purposes. Therefore would recommend that 3 inch hose be purchased this year.

The two platoon system, voted at the Annual Town Meeting, was put into effect October 30, with the appointing of 3 additional permanent drivers and Deputy Chief Owens as Commanding Officer.

Although at an increased cost to the taxpayer, in return they have a much more efficient department and better and quicker service, as now five men are on duty the entire



twenty-four hours, while before only two men were on duty at times.

Would recommend that immediate action be taken to more fully protect the lives and property at the Town Welfare Home. Remembering the complete loss of one building and partial loss of the present one, with the attendant possible loss of life, it is time to seriously consider the importance of better protection. The present type of equipment consisting of two 3 gallon tanks is intended only for small fires and those in incipient stages. Because of the small number and location of these and conditions at the Home, consider the protection intended for quick use inadequate for an institution like this where not only property is involved, but lives of many unable to help themselves.

The two best methods to consider are,—to install a sprinkler system or a pipe up through the building with hose permanently attached on each floor. The former is by far the best and affords greatest protection and obviously, more expensive. The latter costs much less, and with proper care and maintenance would afford protection vastly superior to that at present.

The weakest point in the department at the present time is in the use of some of the old and wornout fire alarm boxes, many dating back to 1889. It is important and advisable to institute a program whereby a few boxes should be replaced each year until the entire number of 29 boxes now obsolete and in a measure unreliable, be replaced with modern non-interfering type of box, and it was with this in view that the \$600 for the purpose was included in Equipment and Repairs, and cannot too strongly recommend and urge that this program be started this year.

The citizens of Middleboro and the Middleboro Fire Department suffered a distinct loss when Ex-Chief C. W. Maxim withdrew from the activities of the Middleboro Fire Department.

For a greater part of his life he was connected with the department, starting in with the old hose reel on Vine St.

and at the time he severed his connection with the department, had held the office of Chief for fifteen years.

He had the unusual experience of watching the transition from man power direct to motor. For years it was his ambition to see the modern department housed in modern quarters, and by his unceasing and untiring efforts and labor, his dream of years came true. Today the Central Fire Station stands as a monument, not only to his efforts and labor, but to his loyalty to the Middleboro Fire Department and his town.

By his devotion to the Department he has set a standard of loyalty to duty that is an outstanding example to be followed by each and every member of the Department and the citizens of Middleboro.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PHILBROOK,  
Chief Middleboro Fire Department



Center Street looking west from South Main Street before wires were placed underground







## REPORT OF GAS AND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

To the Town Manager,  
Town of Middleboro.

Dear Sir:

I am submitting herewith the thirty-sixth annual report of the Gas and Electric Department for the year ending December 31, 1929.

This report includes, operation accounts, revenues, balance sheet, Profit and Loss sheet, and some statistics covering the operation of this department and in some cases made comparable with report of last year.

### GAS

The increase sales of gas amounting to \$1,884.56, was in a large measure owing to the increased use of gas for house heating as 367,000 cu. ft. of the total increase of 673,000 cu. ft. gas purchased was used for that purpose. Total gas purchased, 32, 928,900 cu. ft.

The purchase of gas has proven eminently satisfactory, there being no interruption of supply and the cost of gas in holder this year was \$.031 per m. less, although the increased amount of gas purchased cost \$539, by strict economy the total expenses of gas operating account was \$1274.82 less.

Average price per M paid Taunton Gas Co.    \$.835

Average cost per M. in holder                                \$.9062

By some it is thought this constitutes the total cost to the town. Because of the difference in amount bought and sold last year the cost per M. sold was, \$1.336, made up as follows:

Cost in holder	\$1.018
Transmission and distribution	.036
General and miscellaneous	.022

Average price received per M. sold, 1.445. Average B. T. U. 542. Minimum required by State 528.

In Anticipation of East Grove St. becoming a State Road, would recommend the extension of gas main on East Grove St. from present end to river. Also, should Wareham St. be reconstructed, the extension of the present 6 inch main from Fairview St. to Wareham and Cherry Sts.

It was having this in view that the \$20,000 was recommended in budget for extensions of street mains.

Four inch cast iron mains were laid on following streets.

Fairview St.	710 feet
Etta and Forest Sts.	720 “
Maple Ave.	200 “
Lincoln St.	300 “

and 830 feet of 3 inch steel main on Prospect St.

52 new services were connected.

Many meters which were thought to be measuring less gas than was passing through were removed and replaced with new ones, which may in a measure account for the much smaller amount of gas unaccounted for last year than previous years. The unaccounted for was 11% against nearly 19% the previous year, although the greater saving was made by connecting with the new mains laid in the fall of 1927 and abandoning the old ones.

The ratio of operating expense to revenue was reduced from 99.33% in 1928 to 92.50% in 1929.

## ELECTRIC

Much of the past year has been devoted to replacing some of the lines with larger sized conductors, as it was found that by the normal growth of customers some of the lines were too small to give satisfactory service. A survey is being made of the system and voltage readings taken and this program of renewing wires where needed will be con-

tinued this year so that by the end of year with perhaps the installation of voltage regulators on the lines, a marked improvement will be noted.

Special efforts have been made to keep the lines and appliances in a condition that would least interfere with radio reception and we feel that we have done all that could be done and feel justified in saying that the greatest amount of interference does not come from so called leaky transformers, or wires, but does come from privately owned appliances in homes and other places. Nevertheless all complaints will be cheerfully attended to and efforts continued to remove all known cases of trouble caused by wires or appliances owned or controlled by the town.

The underground system has proven all it was claimed for it and not one case of trouble has occurred.

Thirty-eight new street lights have been installed.

The Telephone Company has replaced over 400 jointly used poles which means a large expense and a great deal of labor to change the wires of the plant to the new poles but when completed the lines will be in better condition to withstand storms than ever before, which also means more reliable service.

New lines have been built on Benson and Highland Streets, So. Middleboro, and on Precinct St. and Rhode Island Road in Lakeville. This in the aggregate is more than in any one other year, and the income has proven the wisdom of such extensions.

The total amount of current purchased increased 224,910 K. W. H. but the total purchased and made only increased 207,160 K. W. H. because the hydro plant produced 17,750 K. W. H. less than the year before.

The average price paid Plymouth Electric Co. was \$.0199 against \$.0224 in 1928.

Although the income increased \$11,931, the expense increased only \$7,316, so that the ratio of operating expense for year to revenue received was 70.66%. That of 1928 was 78.16%.

GEORGE A. PHILBROOK,  
Manager Gas and Electric Dept



## THE THOMAS S. PEIRCE TRUST FUNDS.

As the sole survivor of the original trustees appointed by Thomas S. Peirce in his will to administer the two trust funds created under said will, the net income of one to be paid to the Treasurer of the Middleborough Public Library, and the net income of the other to be paid to the Use and Benefit of the Town of Middleborough, and as the only person living who has "inside information", I am writing the brief history, together with some sidelights of Peter H. Peirce and his family, which I trust will prove interesting as well as instructive, in order that future generations as well as the present may know how these trusts originated.

Peter Hoar Peirce and his wife, Nabby (Sproat) Peirce, came to Middleborough in the early part of the 19th century; built his house on the lot which he bought on North Main Street, in 1814, which he afterwards remodeled, and where his large family was reared; and also built the store across the street, now occupied by the P. H. Peirce Company. With the exception that the "horse sheds", well remembered by the older people, have been converted into a store room, the store building stands today as originally built by him.

Peter H. Peirce, in his day, was the most influential man in the Town of Middleborough, very few daring to oppose him; so much so that when people were approached in regard to various matters it was customary for many to say, "I'll have to talk it over with the Colonel," which title he received during the war of 1812 as Lieutenant Colonel of the Fourth Regiment of Infantry of Plymouth County Brigade. He had many activities outside of his store. The principal one was his association with Horatio G. Wood, under the firm name of Peirce & Wood, in partnership with whom he erected a large shovel manufactory; and the excellence of their production is shown by a medal in my possession bearing the following inscription: "Awarded to Peirce



& Wood for the best specimen of shovels, 1836" on one side and "American Institute, New York" on the other.

The general store of Peter H. Peirce was known far and wide for its fair dealings and the excellent quality of merchandise, especially "New England Rum", which played a large part in building up the fortune which he left at his death, of which I shall have more to say later.

After his decease on January 27, 1861, the store was carried on by his sons, Job C. Peirce, Thomas S. Peirce and James E. Peirce; another son, Charles F. Peirce, was in business in the West; and William R. Peirce superintended the farm.

Peter H. Peirce died without making any will and his estate was never divided among his children, except that some years after his decease the right of his son, Charles, was purchased by the other heirs. As a brother or sister died, the surviving brothers and sisters inherited his or her share of their father's estate, as well as what each had acquired from other sources.

Job was the hard headed business man, ably assisted by his brother Thomas. After the decease of Job, which occurred August 10, 1880, James and Thomas carried on the store until the death of James on July 21, 1901, leaving Thomas as the last of the family.

After the decease of Peter H. Peirce, his heirs at law sold various parcels of land, the deeds of which were signed by the various heirs until William became miffed because some proposition he desired to carry out was denied by his brothers, and from that time on he would not join in any deeds, thereby tying up a vast amount of real estate.

William delighted in being called eccentric. He, as stated before, "ran" the farm and I have often heard Thomas say that when "Bill" ran the farm, if he did not lose over two thousand dollars a year, they figured he made money. It may be interesting to know that the farm carried on by "Bill" included the land on which the High School building now stands; the cleared land in back, running to the river; the

farm on the northeast side of North Street, known as the Azel Thomas Farm; and the Barrows Farm, which included the territory now occupied by Pearl Street, from Peirce to North, Rice and Sproat Streets, and a portion of Frank Street. "Bill" had two hobbies: presenting a bell to a church which needed one; and the Middleborough Public Library, of which he was president from 1875 to 1895. He was also a director of the Old Colony Railroad Company for many years. The only person who had any influence over him was the late Everett Robinson, who was finally able to get his signature to the deed of the land occupied by the Middleborough Savings Bank.

Wood lots covered with heavy pine timber were greatly sought after by mill men, but the invariable answer of "Bill" when approached, was, "If we sell that lot where in hell are the crows going to build their nests." William died February 2, 1896, and then the complexion of affairs rapidly changed.

As a young country land surveyor, I was hired in April 1896 to run some lines and look up two wood lots. My work seemed to be appreciated by Thomas and James for one day Thomas handed me all their deeds and told me to find the lots and do what I pleased with them. At my suggestion, Pearl Street, from Peirce to North, Sproat and Rice Streets were developed at their expense, today being one of the best residential districts of the town. Later, I was entrusted with the handling of large sums of money, stocks and bonds, serving as private secretary and enjoying the full confidence of Thomas and James. My association with Thomas and James is a pleasant memory.

Both were extremely generous and each had different ways of expressing his generosity. Many times Thomas would be informed that some worthy family was in want and it made very little difference what hour of the day it was, he would immediately call some one of the clerks who worked for him and tell him to load up a barrel of flour, a few crackers, sugar, butter and various other small articles, and deliver

them to the party who was in need. Sometimes, a family in rather destitute circumstances would send to the store for a small bill of goods and Thomas would insist on delivering them himself. Many of the old residents remember how, the moment he told you how much the goods you purchased came to, he would immediately reach into his vest pockets and throw out half dollars and quarters, as change for the anticipated bill he expected you to tender him; and it was his custom when he received pay for the goods which he had carried to the needy family—as they handed him a five or ten dollar bill—to throw out of his vest pockets halves and quarters which he seemed to be unable to hold, which would fall from his hands and roll over the floor and which he never stopped to pick up. After he had departed, on picking up the money, it was usually found that the amount which he left was in excess of the bill received. Quite a few families in Middleborough were supported by Thomas and James during their lifetime, and it was a severe blow to them, as well as to those who desired to borrow money without any collateral except their note, when the brothers passed away.

The generosity of James was of a different type. He would insist on collecting the last cent that a man owed, if possible, and after the account had been settled in full he would see, in some way, that double the amount was left at the home of those who had paid him. Those who remember him well know how spruce and neat he always was, forever brushing or dusting himself and bustling around the store, with a dustcloth, thereby gaining the sobriquet of “Dandy Jim.”

Naturally, I was interested in the disposition of the large estate which Thomas and James had. James had made a will and, being ten years younger than Thomas, was naturally expected to be the last of the family of Peter H. Peirce. However, the Lord decreed otherwise, for he was found dead on July 21, 1901. This left Thomas the sole heir-at-law of the combined fortunes of his deceased brothers and sisters, excepting Charles, and a personal legacy contained in the



will of James to his widow, Maria Louise (Harlow) Peirce, which in addition to his own was no small sum. As there were no grandchildren, the sole-heir-at-law, as I supposed at the time, was an own cousin on the Peirce side, Ebenezer Weaver Peirce, of Freetown. Later, I learned there was another own cousin on the Sproat side, altho Thomas was ignorant of that fact when I drew his will. Accordingly, I urged his making his will and, after convincing him of that necessity, he told me to go ahead and draw up one.

I have drawn many wills in my lifetime, but this has been the most important one, and much to my gratification has stood the acid test. After various private bequests, he said, "What next?". I told him I thought a Public Library building would be a good thing. "Well, I suppose 'Bill' would have liked to have one, so give them \$50,000." "What about some money to run it?" I asked. "If the Town don't care enough about the building to run it, they needn't have it; but give them \$50,000. so they can buy books from the income." I suggested it might be better to include periodicals and newspapers, which he granted. I tried to get him to leave his homestead for a home for aged people or a hospital but my suggestion was greeted with, "Go right along", which was his favorite expression in dismissing a subject. "Now what are you going to do with the rest and residue?" "How much have I left?" "About half a million." "Where did it come from?" "Well, I don't know, except I know you have it." "What do you think about it?" "Well, Mr. Peirce, your father got the nucleus of his fortune by selling rum and taking mortgages on farms and lands to secure the debts, a large part of which came out of the store in jugs, and why isn't it a good idea to leave the rest and residue of your estate so that the descendants of those people, together with the others, shall have the benefit of the income?" I shall never forget how he threw back his head and laughed, and finally said,, "Chester, that's all right. Go ahead, but fix it so no town officer shall ever handle a cent of my money and fix it so that the town shall have nothing to say as to how





Center Street looking west from South Main Street after wires were placed underground, ornamental lighting installed and poles and wires removed.



it shall be spent. Can you do it?" I told him it should be left in the hands of three trustees who should perpetuate themselves and should have the say of how the money should be spent. This was agreeable and consequently the clauses under which the trustees operate came into being, so that "the net income of the fund held in trust for the Town of Middleborough shall be paid semi-annually or oftener in the discretion of said Trustees, to the use and benefit of the Town of Middleborough in such manner as said Trustees or their successors shall determine."

The selection of the Trustees was a hard matter. Naturally, I was chosen first. George W. Stetson was decided on very quickly and then I hit a snag. I named about every prominent business man at that time and received the invariable reply, "Go right along." I went home and passed a sleepless night, as I realized he was growing weaker all the time and the selection must be made while his mind was clear. Next morning, I was at his home bright and early. He asked me whom I had thought of. I only had three names left and after he rejected the first two I named George R. Sampson. "Well, let's see, his father was Richard Sampson, his mother was George Wood's daughter, her mother was a Thompson; comes of pretty good stock, put him on. If he had declined Mr. Sampson, I doubt if I should have been able to pick anyone to satisfy him.

His will was signed and witnessed by Amos B. Paun, Albert A. Thomas and Edgar D. Wood on the evening of August 5, 1901, the evening the first car of the Middleborough, Wareham and Buzzards Bay Street Railway ran from the Four Corners to the Rock and back. He failed rapidly and passed away September 16, 1901. Many conjectures had been made about the disposition of the estate but I think the day I filed this will for Probate and it became public will come down in the annals of Middleborough history as the most exciting day the town ever had. Steps were immediately taken to break the will, until the would-be



breakers learned that if it were broken the whole estate would go to two first cousins above referred to. Accordingly, Judge B. W. Harris allowed the will on October 14, 1901. That portion of the will relating to the foresaid trust funds and their administration follows:

“I give and bequeath to the Town of Middleborough the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the purpose of erecting a Public Library building in said Town. Said building to be erected within two years from the date of my decease by the Trustees of the Public Library of said Town, who are hereby constituted a committee for that purpose, and my Executor is hereby directed to pay over the said sum to their order as required.

After the payment of the foregoing legacies and bequests, I give and bequeath to Chester E. Weston, George W. Stetson and George R. Sampson all of said Middleborough, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) as a special trust fund forever, the net income whereof shall be paid semi-annually or oftener, to the treasurer of the Public Library of the Town of Middleborough, to be by him applied to the purchase of books, periodicals or newspapers for said Library.

After the payment of all the before mentioned legacies and bequests, I hereby give, bequeath and devise all the rest and residue of my property and estate whatsoever, whether real, personal or mixed which I shall own or be entitled to in any way at the time of my decease, to Chester E. Weston, George W. Stetson and George R. Sampson, all of said Middleborough, but in trust nevertheless for the following purposes and uses, viz:—To be held as a special trust fund forever, the net income whereof, to be paid semi-annually or oftener in the discretion of said Trustees, to the use and benefit of the Town of Middleborough, in such manner as said Trustees



or their successors shall determine.

The Trustees, above-named and their successors shall receive as full compensation for their services as Trustees, both of the Public Library fund and the residuary fund, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500), per annum, for the three, and in case of the death or resignation of either of said Trustees, the survivor or survivors shall thereupon nominate a successor or successors, who shall immediately upon their appointment by the Probate Court, become vested with all the rights and powers, which the original Trustees exercise under this instrument including the right to nominate a successor or successors in the case of death or resignation of the other member or members of the board, so that both said funds may be perpetually administered by a board of three Trustees, which shall be continued in the manner aforesaid.

I hereby request that the three Trustees above named be exempt from furnishing any surety or sureties on their official bonds as Trustees under this instrument."

"I hereby authorize the Trustees herein named and their successors in said office in the administration of the trust confided to them to sell and convey without leave of Court being first obtained, such portion or portions as they see fit of my real estate and personal estate or such real and personal estate as shall come into their control under this instrument, and no purchaser or purchasers shall be held responsible for the application of the purchase money, and I hereby authorize my said Trustees and their successors to execute, acknowledge and deliver all deeds and other instruments necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this paragraph."

With the intimate knowledge I had of the estate, I was able to save many thousands of dollars and felt I was

entitled to a fee of \$50,000. which was a very small fee for the amount involved. The Honorable Board of Selectmen at that time being very conservative, decided my fee was too large and, feeling that Dame Rumor was persistent that I had appropriated a good portion of the estate caused an expensive audit to be made (which seems to be thought well of in some quarters at the present time), with the result that my figures were in no way changed and the auditor received severe censure from the Judge of Probate for some of his criticisms. The Acting Judge of Probate, Freeman T. Lathrop, of Barnstable County, who presided at the hearings, seemed to feel that my fee was too large and, accordingly, ordered me to pay back the sum of \$27,842.74. I drew my check for that amount, which was credited to the estate by the Trustees on February 9, 1907.

For a few months after the funds became operative there was more or less jealousy on the part of town officers and other individuals who could not handle the money, but for many years harmony has existed between the Trustees and the various boards of the town. While the town is indebted to me for these funds, I have never felt very much elation over that fact, as I consider it the duty of every citizen to use his influence and endeavors to promote the welfare and happiness of his neighbors and the interests of the town in which he lives. In all the years I have handled and assisted in handling this property, with all the unpleasant features which have cropped out from time to time, only one blot remains in my memory. After having been instrumental in securing the funds with which our handsome library building was erected, in company with George W. Stetson and George R. Sampson, no invitation was received by any of us to its dedication. I trust it was an oversight on the part of those who had charge.

Have the funds been a help or a detriment to the town? Have they been appreciated by the thinking people of the town? The answer to the first question I submit to you in the detailed statement of what has been expended for the





Center Street looking East from School Street before Wires were placed underground.





use and benefit of the Town of Middleborough in the twenty-eight years, as well as the amount paid to the Treasurer of the Middleborough Public Library during that time. The answer to the second question will be determined by the sentiment of the people who read this article, as well as the personal words of appreciation of those who have passed on, which I received during their lifetimes.

(Statements)

Paid to the Treasurer of the Middleborough Public Library 1902-1929 inclusive	\$53,691 .54
Paid to the Use and Benefit of the Town of Middleborough 1902-1929 inclusive	436,202 .79
Divided as follows:	
Streets and General highway work	\$153,809 .30
Bridges	45,313 .94
Sidewalks	5,713 .86
Sewers	1,491 .43
Buildings and gas plant	127,649 .64
Schools and instruction	59,031 .08
Dams and water privileges	3,074 .54
Town History	4,062 .48
Paid Town for Tax Reduction	35,200 .52
Miscellaneous	856 .00
	\$436,202 .79

Some of the items making up the above amounts are as follows:

STREETS	
Centre	\$12,024 .52
Everett	10,715 .41
Frank	1,545 .00
South Main	11,636 .52
Wareham (Barden Hill)	5,000 .00
Carmel	2,573 .30
East Main	6,577 .79

Plympton	14,877.29
Cushman, Milier & Smith	10,461.00
East Grove & Wood	2,585.47
Marion	2,000.00
Spruce	3,864.20
Wareham (So. Middleborough)	2,624.99
Plymouth (No. Middleborough)	11,284.90
Taunton	11,336.72
General Highway	44,702.19
	<hr/> \$153,809.30

## BRIDGES

Alms Street	\$220.87
East Main Street	13,839.08
North Middleborough	23,930.74
Nemasket Street, under-crossing	2,205.39
Wareham Street	1,690.85
Maintenance	3,427.01
	<hr/> \$45,313.94

## BUILDINGS &amp; GAS PLANT

Town House	\$3,438.54
Fire Station	57,048.21
Middleborough Home	12,013.83
West Side Portable School	8,857.66
Old High School	5,648.91
New High School	7,932.20
Union Street School	3,281.00
Library	4,300.00
Gas Plant & Street Mains	25,129.29
	<hr/> \$127,649.64

## SCHOOLS &amp; INSTRUCTION

Account Commercial Course	52,399.38
Salaries, Assistant Teachers	6,100.00
Miscellaneous school account	531.70
	<hr/> \$59,031.08

I cannot close this article without expressing my sincere appreciation of the cooperation and assistance of my co-trustees, during my term of service. While I did not insert in the will the ideas Thomas gave me in regard to what his money should be spent for, in addition to his request that no town officer should ever handle a cent of his money and that they should have nothing to say as to how it should be spent, he did say, "I should like to have it used as gingerbread", meaning by that for something that the town might not see its way clear to raise by direct appropriation. Considerable pressure was brought to bear upon the Trustees by large tax payers of the town who desired to have the Trustees assume the payment of bonds or notes when they become due, thereby reducing the amount to be raised by taxes, as well as reducing the tax rate. You will note from the figures above that we did on several occasions pay the Town indebtedness or agreed to furnish money for certain departments which would otherwise have had to be raised by taxes. It would be interesting, if time and space permitted, to have the figures of how much the tax rate was reduced by these various payments and agreements.

As Trustees, we worked together very harmoniously, and I think the greatest disappointment we had was when, after offering the lot on Peirce Street next to the present Library Lot and offering to build a High School on the same to cost approximately \$50,000, this was turned down by voters of the town. Had this building been erected at that time, it was our intention—after that was paid for—to erect a brick building on Union Street where the present Union Street building stands and so relieve to some extent the congestion which seemed to be promised at that time. The turning down of that proposition has cost us many thousand dollars.

As you will notice by the figures given above, many things have been furnished the town and paid for, which the town might not have had otherwise and, also, which have taken from the tax payers of the town the burden of the same.

On the death of George R. Sampson, which occurred on April 4, 1924, it became necessary for George W. Stetson and myself to nominate a successor, in accordance with the terms of the will. Accordingly, on July 12, 1925, Arthur D. Benson was appointed by the Probate Court. Due to the death of George W. Stetson, who passed away on June 1st, 1926, Mr. Benson and myself were called upon to nominate a co-trustee; and on April 24, 1927 Frederick S. Weston was appointed by said Court.

The accounts of the Trustees have been audited from the time the trust came into being, the last audit being May 8, 1929. The first few years this was done by an auditor elected by the Town, and in recent years by auditors from the State of Massachusetts. The Trustees' Probate accounts have also been allowed by the Probate Court for the County of Plymouth, under whose jurisdiction they come.

CHESTER E. WESTON.





Center Street looking east from School Street after wires were placed underground, ornamental lighting installed and poles and wires removed.



## WATER DEPARTMENT

There have been more improvements in this department this year than for several past years.

At the annual town meeting \$11,000.00 was voted to extend an eight inch pipe from the end of the line on Nemas-ket St. at the river bridge, for a distance of one mile through Plymouth St. into the Warrentown district. Plans and specifications were prepared and bids called for to be opened April 30th. Six bids were submitted, the lowest being the Ideal Contracting Co. of Boston. The contract was awarded to them May 7th, and work was begun May 20th and proceeded slowly until August 27th when the job was accepted. The amount asked for to make this extension, including the meters and services was \$13,000.00, but the meeting saw fit to appropriate only \$11,000.00, then the additional money needed to complete the job had to come from the water department, thus necessitating a transfer from reserve to cover an overdraft. The total cost of the main line including all labor and materials was \$11,428.91; the cost of services and meters \$1,434.99, making a total cost of this job \$12,863.90, as against the \$13,000.00 originally estimated.

## WATERPROOFING THE STANDPIPE

After a thorough investigation by this office and consulting with Mr. Sampson of Weston & Sampson, Consulting Engineers of Boston, it was decided that the waterproofing of our standpipe could best be accomplished by the use of the Ironite Method as applied by the Western Waterproofing Company of Boston. A contract was entered into with them July 26th to furnish all labor and materials and do all the work necessary to line the inside of the standpipe. The water was drawn from the tank Aug. 11th and work progressed rapidly until completion and the tank refilled Sept. 15th. The contract price for doing this work was \$7000.00,



including a five year guarantee of its water tightness. The need for waterproofing was that the seepage through the horizontal construction cracks caused by the cement setting during the time the forms were reset had saturated the outer layer of concrete, causing it to spall off in quite large patches and to a considerable depth, but not so deep as to expose the steel re-enforcing of the structure, but getting dangerously near it. The method used was to wire-brush and thoroughly clean and wash the inside, then with air drills to cut out all the horizontal cracks and what few vertical cracks there were in a V shape about three inches on the face and from three to four inches deep. These cuts were then filled with successive layers of Ironite until flush with the face. The whole inside including the bowl, which had shown no signs of seepage, was given two coats of Ironite of a total thickness of  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{3}{8}$  inches, after which two brush coats of specially prepared asphalt was applied. The tank was then filled for a test and only a few moist spots showed on the outside. These soon dried out and up to the present time the tank seems to be perfectly tight.

Ironite is a combination of cement, sand and iron fillings. The object of the iron is to form rust which seals the hair cracks which come in all cement as it sets.

To repair the outside, all the loose and disintegrated concrete was removed and this space filled with Ironite. Contrary to expectation, the cement in the inside was found to be as hard and in as perfect condition as when the tank was built, and the cracks at the construction joints only showed a very fine hair line.

During the five weeks the standpipe was empty we had of course to depend on direct pumping for our water supply and fire protection.

As the pumping capacity at the station is only 1600 G. P. M. we did not feel that this was sufficient for fire protection, so a Maxim 1000 G. P. M. motor fire truck was located at the pumping station to compensate for the 500,000 gal. reserve supply which is always held in the standpipe.



A suction line was laid from the river to the fire pump and the discharge lines connected to a fire hydrant near the station. The Maxim Company arranged to have an operator at all times ready to answer a bell alarm, thus assuring us of the services of a skilled operator in case of necessity.

To safeguard the safety of the water supply in case it was necessary to introduce raw water into the system a chlorinating machine was installed on the suction line of the auxiliary pump. This all added materially to the expense of the repair of the standpipe, but we feel that the cost of this insurance was justified. Fortunately we were not called upon to use the extra pump as no fires occurred while the standpipe was out of commission.

The cost of waterproofing was \$7,000.00, repairs on the outside \$1079.11, and additional pumping station expense \$1880.16, making a total cost of \$9959.27.

The other work of the water department included the usual new services, renewing old ones, testing and repairing main gates, testing and repairing hydrants, testing and repairing curb gates, and changing and repairing all meters that have been in service more than five years.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. GOODALE,

Town Manager and Superintendent

## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1929.

Population by census of 1925,—9,136. Date of construction—1885. By whom owned—Town of Middleboro. Source of supply—well south of village near Nemasket River. Mode of supply—pumped direct overflow to stand-pipe.

### PUMPING STATISTICS

1. Builders of Pumping Machinery, two Goulds Electrically Driven Centrifugal main units; 1 Gould driven by Moore Steam Turbine, and 1 DeLaval complete turbine and pump, auxiliary units.
2. Description of fuel used:
  - (a) Electric Power for Main Units
  - (b) Bituminous coal for auxiliary units
  - (c) Price per K. W. H.—average \$.024
  - (d) Average price of coal per Net ton, delivered \$7.36
  - K. W. H. consumed for the year
    - (a) Main Pump 136,125
    - (b) Filter Pump 27,806
3. Coal consumed for the year, heat and power, lbs. 242,287
4. Total pumpage for the year, passed through meter, gal. 102,967,000\*
5. Average Static head against which pumps work, in feet 295
6. Average dynamic head against which pump work, in feet 300
7. Number of gallons pumped per K. W. H.  
Main pump only 662.9
8. Duty equals gallons pumped (4) x 8.34 lbs.)  
x 100 x dynamic head (6) divided by  
total K. W. H. Consumed by main  
pump 165,855,259

9.	Cost of pumping figured on Pumping Station expenses	\$8,672.53
10.	Per million gallons pumped	\$84.22
11.	Per million gallons raised one foot dynamic	0.28
* Of total amount 12,731,000 gallons were pumped by steam.		

## STATISTICS OF CONSUMPTION OF WATER

1.	Total population 1925 Census	9,136
2.	Estimated population on lines of pipe	5,840
3.	Estimated population supplied	5,750
4.	Total Consumption for the year	102,967,000
5.	Passed through meters, gallons	78,134,200
6.	Percentage of consumption metered	75.8
7.	Average daily consumption, gals.	282,101
8.	Gallons per day to each inhabitant	31
9.	Gallons per day to each consumer	49
10.	Gallons per day to each tap	221
11.	Cost of supplying water per million gallons figured on total maintenance	\$273.04
12.	Total cost of supplying water, per million gallons figured on total maintenance plus interest on bonds and bonds.	\$304.21

## STATISTICS RELATING TO DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

1.	Kind of pipe—cast iron, wrought iron	
2.	Sizes—1 inch to 16 inches	
3.	Extended during year, feet	5,292
4.	Total now in use, miles	22.30
5.	Length of pipe less 4 in. in diameter, miles	.166
6.	Number of hydrants in use	166
7.	Number of stop gates smaller than 4 in.	1
8.	Number of blow offs	9
9.	Range of pressure on mains	84-120

## Services

10.	Kind of pipe—wrought iron, cement lined, cast iron	
11.	Sizes— $\frac{1}{2}$ inch to 6 inches	
12.	Extended, feet	1526
13.	Total now in use, miles	14.71
14.	Number of service taps added	23
15.	Number of service taps discontinued	0
16.	Number now in use	1312
17.	Average length of service, feet	59.19
18.	Number of meters added	19
19.	Number of meters now in use	1240
20.	Percent of services metered	98
21.	Percent of receipts from metered water	99
22.	Number of motors	0

## TOTAL LENGTH OF MAIN PIPE

16 in.	12 in.	10 in.	8 in.	6 in.	4 in.	2 in.	$1\frac{1}{2}$ in.	1 in.	Total
400	8,084.9	9,362.0	12,695.5	71,743.2	14,615.2	832.7	40.9	4.6	117,779

Total length of miles	22.30						
Number of hydrants added, 11, total	166						
Number of gates added, 4, total	247						
Number of blow offs	9						
Service connections made, 23, total	1312						
Number of services now taking water	1268						
Feet of service pipe put in during the year, feet	1526						
Feet of service pipe within street lines	34,067						
Motors in use	0						
Meters set during the year	19						
Meters now in use	1240						
Meters	$\frac{5}{8}$ in.	$\frac{3}{4}$ in.	$\frac{1}{2}$ in.	1 in.	$1\frac{1}{2}$ in.	2 in.	3 in.
American	341	1		2			
Trident	236		1	2	1		
Lambert	203	1		1			
Worthington	167						
Hersey	159	4	1	2	1		1
Federal	45			2			



Nash	29	2		1			
Keystone	26					1	
Empire	3	2		3			
Union	1						
Crown						1	
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	1210	10	2	13	2	2	1
						Total	1240

# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

## WATER ANALYSIS

No.	Date of Collection	Turbidity	Sediment	Color	Total	Free	Ammonia		Chlorine	Nitrates	Nitrites	Hardness	Iron	Mn.
							Albuminoid	Nitrogen As						
210372	Jan. 8	sl.	cons. iron	fl. .15	8.30	.0126	.0018	.64	.0600	.0001	2.2	.220	.120	Inlet to filter
211411	Mar. 7	sl.	cons. iron	fl. .05	8.20	.0096	.0012	.66	.0600	.0001	3.0	.450	.100	
210373	Jan. 8	very sl.	iron	fl. .30	8.70	.0014	.0014	.65	.0300	.0003	2.6	.095	.110	Outlet of "
211412	Mar. 7	v. sl.	sl.	fl. .17	7.70	.0076	.0016	.63	.0600	.0005	2.6	.155	.080	
210374	Jan. 8	v. sl.	none	.18	8.00	.0004	.0010	.62	.0500	.0000	2.2	.047	.000	Tap-Final Filter
211413	Mar. 7		none	.12	7.30	.0002	.0006	.62	.0600	.0000	2.6	.026	.000	
212544	May 10	dist.	cons. iron	fl. .05	7.60	.0090	.0028	.61	.0600	.0000	2.6	.230	.070	Inlet to "
212545	May 10	slight		.14	7.50	.0062	.0028	.64	.0600	.0001	2.6	.062	.040	Outlet of "
212546	May 10		none	.00	6.50	.0004	.0022	.69	.0600	.0000	2.6	.012	.000	Tap
214028	July 9	dist.	sl.	fl. .62	6.50	.0104	.0052	.56	.0200	.0000	2.2	.400	.080	Inlet to "
216400	Sept. 3	dist.	cons. iron	fl. .52	8.40	.0510	.0038	.60	.0200	.0000	2.0	.245	.080	
214029	July 9	sl.	v. sl.	fl. .27	6.60	.0070	.0034	.57	.0200	.0001	2.2	.125	.045	Outlet to "
216401	Sept. 3	dist.	sl. iron	fl. .32	7.70	.0036	.0028	.58	.0200	.0010	2.0	.110	.040	
214030	July 9	v. sl.	none	.12	5.60	.0000	.0014	.56	.0100	.0000	2.2	.048	.000	Tap-Final "
216402	Sept. 3	none	v. sl.	.08	6.30	.0006	.0046	.58	.0200	.0000	2.0	.012	.000	

PUMPING STATION RECORD, 1929

Month	Main Pumps Time Pumping Electric Steam		Average Daily		Gallons Pumped	Daily Average		K. W. H. used Main Pump	Daily Average	Power	Station Heater	Hours Minutes		Filter Supply Time Pumping Electric	Daily Average	K. W. H. used Filter Pump	Daily Average
	Hours	Minutes	Hours	Minutes		Hours	Minutes					Hours	Minutes				
January	144-20		8-15		8,559,000	276,096		12,419	400	4000	5467	262-30		8-28		2208	71
February	127-5		8-30		7,555,000	269,821		10,985	392	2400	4089	235-20		8-24		1959	70
March	138-		7-30		8,165,000	263,387		11,908	384	3700	4309	257-30		8-18		2116	68
April	138-20		8-25		8,227,000	274,233		11,942	398	2200	3234	259-20		8-38		2118	70
May	138-50		10-		8,214,000	264,967		11,941	385	3600	1705	261-20		8-26		2089	67
June	168-35		9-35		9,851,000	328,366		14,520	484	2580		332-25		11-4		2656	88
July	169-6				9,651,000	311,322		14,486	464			318-40		10-17		2637	85
Augrst	51-45		493.10		8,924,000	287,742		4,416	142	115,728		261-35		8-26		2532	82
September	73-35		373.45		9,184,000	306,133		6,307	210	77,485	791	271-		9-		2658	88
October	149-3		4-48		8,448,000	272,516		12,800	413		1732	239-25		7-43		2334	75
November	138-5		4-36		7,849,000	261,633		11,900	393		4170	226-55		7-33		2218	74
December	145-7		4-41		8,240,000	265,806		12,501	403		5097	234.50		7-34		2281	73
Totals	1581-51		919-10		102,967,000	282,101		136,125	373	211,693	30,594	3160-50		8.39		37,806	76.18
Daily Averages				7-4													

Greatest number of gallons pumped in one day, 508,000, September 16.  
Least number of gallons pumped in one day, 99,000, August 11.  
Of the total pumpage 12,731,000 gallons were pumped by steam pump.

RALPH SAMPSON,  
Engineer

## RAINFALL AND TEMPERATURE RECORD, 1929

Month	Temperature, Degrees			Precipitation Inches	
	Highest	Lowest	Mean	Rain and Melted Snow	Snow
January	59	—11	26.3	3.77	10
February	51	—5	28.	4.23	13½
March	73	5	39.5	4.93	4⅛
April	81	24	44.8	6.97	½
May	91	29	56.8	2.79	
June	92	36	65.2	.53	
July	90	39	68.8	2.72	
August	85	42	65.9	4.06	T
September	94	34	62.5	4.96	
October	74	19	50.	2.53	
November	73	8	40.6	3.16	1¼
December	53	—5	30.6	4.87	7¼
Totals				45.51	36⅝
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RALPH SAMPSON,  
Observer.



## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

Record of the Annual Town Meeting and its Adjournments  
January 21st, 1929

Article 1: To choose all necessary town officers, the following officers to be voted on one ballot, viz: a Moderator for one year, a Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for one year, two Selectmen for three years, two members of the School Board for three years, one member of the Planning Board for five years.

Meeting was called to order at 11 o'clock A. M. by Moderator Fletcher Clark Jr.

The warrant was read by the Town Clerk.

Voted: that the polls be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

Polls declared open at 11:30 o'clock A. M.

The following Election Officers were sworn in—Morrill S. Ryder, William Begley, John Connor, Mabel B. Sears, Luke F. Kelley, John Callan, Stephen F. O'Hara, Frank S. Thomas, James A. Morrissey, John Perry, Alice Pratt, Elizabeth Flynn, Sarah Connor, Lucy Harlow, John Mahoney and E. Kimball Harrison.

The polls were declared closed at 8 o'clock P. M. and the result of the vote was as follows:—

## Moderator

Fletcher Clark Jr.	1730
William Wilcox	3
Robert Fish	1
William W. L. Tallman	6
Leslie Clark	2
Blanks	552
	— 2294

## Treasurer &amp; Collector

William W. Brackett	1785	
Abraham G. Newkirk	409	
James P. Sparrow	1	
Blanks	99	
	—	2294

## Selectmen

Alexander Heath	1230	
Louis Ritter	119	
John B. Savage	852	
Albert A. Thomas	1478	
Frederick S. Weston	821	
Bert G. Brown	1	
Blanks	87	
	—	4588

## School Committee

Dr. Robert G. Butler	1350	
Allan R. Thatcher	1330	
Forest E. Thomas	1160	
Blanks	748	
	—	4588

## Planning Board

Russell A. Trufant	36	
Chester Weston	4	
Frank S. Thomas	1	
Minnie Jones	1	
Leila Hathaway	3	
Wm. Holden	1	
Mrs. W. E. Holloway	5	
Alexander Heath	4	
Emma B. Lovell	1	
Albert A. Thomas	1	
Robert Fish	2	
J. R. Thompson	1	

Louis Ritter	1
Mrs. Alice Pratt	2
Clyde Thomas	1
Max Burnham	1
James Thomas	6
W. H. Powell	1
Henry F. Soule	2
Theodore H. Stegmaier	1
Walter Sampson	1
Dr. Burkhead	2
Waldo Jackson	1
A. G. Newkirk	1
Wm. G. Boynton	2
Agnes M. Boynton	1
James Kennedy	2
Edmund Reynolds	1
Frederick C. Noble	1
Morrill S. Ryder	1
Allan Thatcher	1
Wilson G. Harlow	2
Marcus Merrick	8
Kenneth Keedwell	1
Ernest L. Maxim	2
John Connor	1
James McMahan	1
Frederick S. Weston	1
Fred L. Bowman	1
John B. Savage	2
Howard Holden	1
John Boardman	1
T. N. Wood	2
John B. Bartlett	1
Eva Hathaway	1
George Boardman	1
Louis C. Littlejohn	1
John V. Sullivan	1
B. C. Shaw	1
Granville Tillson	1
Blanks	2175

Meeting adjourned at eleven o'clock P. M.

February 11th and 18th 1929

Article 2: To raise such sums of money by tax or otherwise, as may be necessary to defray the expense of the town for the current year, appropriate the same and to act anything in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes for the year.

Voted: 1929 appropriations less the estimated receipts.

An amendment was carried changing the appropriation for New Gravel Roads from 10,000.00 to 15,000.00 with the proviso that said amount be expended on the outside roads. A further amendment was carried that an amount not to exceed 500.00 of the 15,000. New Gravel Road appropriation is to be expended upon Prospect and Cliff Streets.

An amendment to cut \$10,000.00 from the Public Welfare account and use this for the mowing of brush on the highways thus providing work for the unemployed, was carried.

#### GAS & ELECTRIC DEPT.

The receipts of the plant, out of which shall be paid the operating expenses, bonds and interest, depreciation and construction and \$10,870.00 street lighting, which shall be included in the tax levy.

Article 3: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, or a majority thereof, to borrow during the municipal year beginning January 1st 1929, in anticipation of the revenue of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town but not exceeding the total tax levy of the preceding financial year, as provided in Section 3, Chapter 719, General Acts 1913, and amendments thereto, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the date thereof, all debts incurred under authority of this vote to be paid from the revenue of the present municipal year.



Voted: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, or a majority thereof, be authorized to borrow during the municipal year beginning January 1st 1929, in anticipation of the revenue of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy of the preceding financial year, as provided in Section 3, Chapter 719 General Acts 1913 and amendments thereto, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the date thereof, all debts incurred under authority of this vote to be paid from the revenue of the present municipal year.

Article 4: To hear the report of any committees or officers of the town; to appoint any committee, and act thereon.

Voted: That the Moderator appoint a committee of three from the membership of the Old Middleborough Historical Association to make improvements in the burying ground known as the Wood Cemetery, located on land owned by the town at the corner of Wood & Grove Sts. Committee appointed—Kenelm Winslow, Jane Bennett and Lorenzo Wood.

Article 5 To see if the town will appropriate money for band concerts the coming season, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$300.00 was voted under appropriation.

Article 6: To see if the town will appropriate money to be expended by Post 8 G. A. R. on Memorial Day, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$200.00 was voted under appropriations.

Article 7: To see if the town will vote to appropriate money necessary to pay the rent of a suitable place for the Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$200.00 was voted under appropriations.

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not exceeding five hundred (500) dollars,

to be paid to St. Lukes Hospital, established in said town, for the establishment and maintenance of a free bed in the hospital for care and treatment of persons certified by the selectmen of said town to be residents of the town and unable to pay for such care and treatment, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$500.00 was voted under appropriations.

Article 9: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the Plymouth County Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, a sum not exceeding three hundred (\$300) dollars, and choose a town director for one year as provided in Section 41 and 45 of Revised Chapter 128 of the General Laws, and act thereon

Voted: That the town raise and appropriate for the use of Plymouth County Trustees for County aid to Agriculture, the sum of three hundred (\$300) dollars.

That H. A. Standish be chosen a town director for one year.

Article 10: To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the employment of a school and public health nurse, and act thereon.

Voted: The sum of \$1,500.00 under appropriations.

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to continue the Christmas street lighting, appropriate money for the same, and act thereon.

Voted: That the town appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars to continue the Christmas Street Lighting.

Article 12: To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed three hundred (\$300) dollars, to be spent under the direction of the Planning Board, for the purpose of studying the Parking Problem, and act thereon.

Voted: To indefinitely postpone action on this article.

Article 13: To see what action the town will take, if any, for authority to establish a limited or representative form of town meeting, appoint a committee for that purpose, and act thereon.

Voted: That a committee of five be appointed by the moderator to look into this subject and report at some future meeting.

Committee appointed:

James A. Thomas

Fred B. Alger

B. J. Allan

William Egger

Albert Soule

Article 14: To see if the town will vote to install a system of drainage to care for the surplus water on Vine and West streets and drain the same into Never touch Pond, so-called, and to raise and appropriate therefor a sum not to exceed more than twenty five hundred (2500) dollars, and to act any thing in relation thereto; agreeable to the petition of Franceses Teceno et al.

Voted: That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 15: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed four hundred (\$400) dollars for the purpose of marking the word "Middleboro" on the roof of some structure located in the town, for the purpose of aiding aviation, and act thereon. (By request).

Voted: That action on this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 16: To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 391 of the Acts of the Year 1923, and all acts in addition thereto or in amendment thereof, being General Laws, Chapter 40, as amended by sections 42A-42B-42C-42D-42E-42F, the same being an act relating to the collection of water rates, and act thereon.

Voted: That this article be adopted.

Article 17: To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to issue a license or licenses to hold on the Lord's Day a public entertainment in keeping with the character of the Day and not inconsistent with its due observance,



to which admission is to be obtained upon the payment of money or other valuable consideration, and act anything thereon.

Voted: That, the Selectmen be instructed to grant a Sunday Permit to the Park Theatre, Middleboro, Mass.

Article 18: To see if the town of Middleborough will vote to amend its General By-Laws approved in 1927, by adding the following general article:

### Article 13.

#### Fire Department

Section 1. Day and night force. The permanent members of the fire fighting force of the town shall be divided by the Chief of the Fire Department into two bodies or forces which shall be designated as a day force and night force, and shall alternate on tours of duty every third day.

Section 2. Hours of duty. The hours of duty of the day force shall be from eight o'clock in the forenoon to six o'clock in the afternoon; and the hours of duty of the night force shall be from six o'clock in the afternoon to eight o'clock in the forenoon; provided, that on every third day, for the purpose of alternating the day force with the night force and vice versa, the numbers of hours of duty herein stated may be extended, but one force shall be at liberty at all times, except that in case of conflagration, the officer having charge of the fire fighting force shall have full authority to summon and keep on duty all members of the fire fighting force while the conflagration continues. This section shall not affect any law, by-laws, rules, or regulations relative to salary, pensions, annual vacations or sick or disability, or leave of absence of the members of the Fire Department, and act thereon. (By request)

Voted: That the General By-Laws of the town of Middleboro be amended by adding Article 13, Section 1 and 2, as read.



Approved by Attorney General June 25, 1929.

Article 19: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed five hundred (\$500) dollars for a Dental Clinic for the School Department, and act thereon. (By request)

Voted: That the town of Middleboro appropriate the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars for the establishment of a Dental Clinic.

Article 20: To see if the town will vote to transfer a balance of two thousand seven hundred sixty four dollars (\$2764.76) and seventy-six cents, now in the High Tension account of the Gas & Electric Department, to the General Construction account of said department, and act thereon.

Voted: That the balance of twenty-seven hundred sixty-four (\$2764.76) dollars and seventy-six cents, now in the High Tension Account of the Gas & Electric Department, be transferred to the General Construction account of said Department.

Article 21: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be raised by loan or otherwise, to defray the cost of extending the water main from Muttock Hill, so called, through Nemasket street and Plymouth street to Warrentown, so called, a distance not to exceed one (1) mile, and act thereon; agreeable to the petition of Anders Martenson et al.

Voted: That action on this article be laid upon table until the adjournment of this meeting.

Voted: that the Selectmen as Water Commissioners be authorized to extend the water mains on Nemasket street and Plymouth street and that for this purpose the town appropriate the sum of eleven thousand (\$11,000.) dollars, of which the sum of twenty-two hundred (\$2200.) dollars shall be included in the tax levy of the current year, and the remainder shall be raised by the issue of bonds or notes of the town, and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized and empowered to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, in the sum not to exceed

eight thousand eight hundred (\$8,800.) dollars, payable in accordance with the provisions of Section eight of Chapter forty-four of the General Laws, in such manner that the whole loan shall be paid off in not more than five years from the date of the first bond or note or at such earlier date as the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, shall determine. The result of this vote was Yes 602, No 0.

Article 22: To see if the town will vote to accept Prospect street and Cliff street as public ways, as laid out by the Selectmen, appropriate money for the same, and act thereon; agreeable to the petition of Morrill S. Ryder et al.

Voted: that the town accept Prospect street and Cliff street as public ways, as laid out by the Selectmen.

\$500.00 of the Highway appropriation was to be used for this purpose

Article 23: To see if the town will vote to change the name of Everett Square to John Glass Jr. Square, and act thereon; agreeable to the petition of Simeon L. Nickerson Post 64.

Voted: that wishing to honor the honorable service and supreme sacrifice during the World War of a young man and citizen of this town, the name of Everett Square be changed to John Glass Jr. Square.

Record of Special Town Meeting, June 18th, 1929

Article 1 To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to cover the expense of the Small-Pox epidemic, and act thereon.

Voted: to appropriate the sum of fifty-one hundred eighty four (\$5184.95) dollars and ninety-five cents, to cover the Small-Pox epidemic, said sum to be paid from the Surplus Overlay account.

Article 2: To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed nine thousand (\$9000) dollars for the purpose of installing a new heating system in the School Street School, and act thereon.

Voted: that the town of Middleboro appropriate the sum of nine thousand (\$9000.) dollars for the purpose of in-

stalling a new heating system in the School Street School.

Article 3: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed four thousand (\$4000.) dollars to defray the cost of repairing the standpipe of the Water Department, and act thereon.

Voted: that the town appropriate four thousand (\$4000.) dollars to defray the cost of repairing the standpipe of the Water Department.

Quorum present, later several left and it was decided that a quorum was not present.

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to transfer the balance of nine thousand nine hundred eighty-four (\$9984.49) dollars and forty-nine cents, now in the Roadside Brush account of the Highway Department, to the account of the Public Welfare Department, and act thereon. Said nine thousand nine hundred eighty-four (\$9984.49) dollars and forty-nine cents being the balance now remaining of the Ten thousand (\$10,000.) dollars transferred at the Annual Town Meeting from the Public Welfare appropriation to the Highway appropriation, and to be used by the Public Welfare Department to provide work for certain needy persons.

Voted: to transfer the balance of nine thousand nine hundred eighty four (\$9984.49) dollars and forty-nine cents, now in the Roadside Brush account of the Highway Dept., to the account of the Public Welfare Department. This was ruled non valid due to lack of quorum.

Article 5: to see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of nine hundred thirteen (\$913.39) dollars and thirty-nine cents to pay the land damage claims at Everett Square (now John Glass Jr. Square) as awarded by the County Commissioners, and act thereon.

No action taken on this article.

Article 6: To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in which the town voted



to raise five hundred (\$500) dollars for the District Nurse, and act thereon.

No action taken on this article.

Article 7: To see if the town will vote to appropriate five hundred (\$500) dollars for the use of the Public Welfare Department in the employment of the District Nurse, and act thereon.

No action taken on this article.

Voted to adjourn at 8:47 P. M.

Record of Special Town Meeting, October 8th, 1929

Article 1: To see if the town will vote to transfer the balance of nine thousand six hundred seventy-seven (\$9677.61) dollars and sixty-one cents, now in the Roadside Brush account of the Highway Department, to the account of the Public Welfare Department, and act thereon. Said nine thousand six hundred seventy-seven (\$9677.61) dollars and sixty-one cents being the balance now remaining of the ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars transferred to the Annual Town Meeting from the Public Welfare Department appropriation to the Highway appropriation, and to be used by the Public Welfare Department to provide work for certain needy persons and act thereon.

Voted: to transfer the sum of nine thousand six hundred seventy-seven (\$9,677.61) dollars and sixty one cents from the Roadside Brush Account of the Highway Department to the Account of the Public Welfare Department.

Article 2: To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of nine hundred thirteen (\$913.39) dollars and thirty-nine cents to pay the land damage claims at Everett Square (now John Glass Jr. Square) as awarded by the County Commissioners, and act thereon.

Voted: that the sum of nine hundred thirteen (\$913.39) dollars and thirty-nine cents be transferred from the Excess & Deficiency Account to the Everett Square account, for the purpose of paying Land Damage Claims.



Article 3: To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in which the town voted to raise five hundred (\$500) dollars for the District Nurse, and act thereon.

Voted: That we rescind the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in which the town voted to raise five hundred (\$500.) dollars for the District Nurse.

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to appropriate five hundred (\$500.) dollars for the use of the Public Welfare Department in the employment of the District Nurse, and act thereon.

Voted: That the sum of five hundred (\$500.) dollars be transferred from the Excess & Deficiency Account to the Account of the Public Welfare Department for the purpose of employing a District Nurse.

Article 5: To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay the bill of Dr. Edward L. Perry, for services rendered as Health Physician during the Small-Pox epidemic, and act thereon.

Voted: that the sum of four hundred twenty (\$420.) dollars be transferred from the Surplus Overlay account to the Small Pox Account, for the purpose of paying the claims of Dr. Edward L. Perry.

Article 6: To see if the town will vote to transfer the balance of nine hundred eleven dollars (\$911.34) and thirty-four cents, now in the School Street Heating account to the Maintenance of Building Account of the School Department, and act thereon.

Voted: To transfer the balance of nine hundred eleven dollars (\$911.34) and thirty-four cents, now in the School Street Heating Account to the Maintenance of Building Account of the School Department.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to repair the Heating System of the Town Home, and act thereon.

Mr. Albert A. Thomas stated that no action on this article was necessary at this time, that the Peirce Estate Trustees were going to take care of *this item*.

Voted to adjourn at 8:30 P. M.

## ANALYSIS OF CASH RECEIPTS FOR 1929

Transient Vendor	1 @	\$10.00	\$10.00
Dance Pavilions	2 @	5.00	10.00
Merry-Go-Round	1 @	5.00	5.00
Lodging House	1 @	2.00	2.00
Inn-holder	2 @	2.00	4.00
Fireworks	5 @	5.00	25.00
Ice-Cream	2 @	1.00	2.00
Dog-licenses			
766 males	@	\$2.00	\$1,532.00
168 females	@	5.00	840.00
2 Kennels	@	25.00	50.00
			<hr/> \$2,422.00
Billiards & Pool	2 @	\$2.00	\$4.00
Theatre	1 @	65.00	65.00
Auctioneer	5 @	2.00	10.00
Sunday	14 @	2.00	28.00
Recording mortgages			161.74
Certified copies	47 @	.25	11.75
Interest on deposits			4.72
Junk			110.00
Milk			20.00
Pedlar	8 @	5.00	40.00
Common Victualler	74 @	2.00	148.00
Garage	26 @	1.00	26.00
Gasolene			177.00
Dealers			105.00
Marriages			76.00
Fish & Game			
Sporting Resident	469 @	\$2.25	\$1,055.25
Trapping	64	2.25	144.00
Sporting Non Res.	3	5.25	15.75
" " "	4	2.25	9.00

Trapping Minor	55	.75	41.25
Duplicates	6	.50	3.00
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Total	.		\$1,268.25
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Total receipts			\$4,735.46

### PAYMENTS

Amount paid to County Treasurer	
Dog licenses less fees	\$2,234.80
Amount paid to Division of F. & G.	
Game licenses less fees	1,119.50
Amount paid to Town Treasurer	
Dog license fees	187.20
Game license fees	148.75
General licenses, recording mortgages etc.	1,045.21
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Total payments	\$4,735.46

### REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATES

Number of certificates issued to minors, ages 14-16	70
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ 16-21	179
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Total number issued during the year	249

### REPORT OF VITAL STATISTICS

Number of Births recorded in 1929	163
Number of Marriages recorded in 1929	91
Number of Deaths recorded in 1929	140

## BIRTHS RECORDED IN MIDDLEBORO FOR THE YEAR 1929

## Delayed Returns

		Name	Names of Parents
1903			
Mar.	27	John Antone Roht	John Roht and Jacobena Schmadel
1914			
July	11	Harold Frederick Logan	Frederick M. and Sadie Vickery
1923			
May	13	Shirley Alice Forney	Louis H. and Velario Sutkus
1924			
Apr.	9	Louis Henry Forney Jr.	Louis H. and Velario Sutkus
May	28	Charles Alexander Lee Jr.	Charles A. and Agnes M. Cameron
1928			
July	15	Alphonso David Fish, 2nd	Robert and Estha L. MacDonald
1929			
Jan.	3	Beverly Ann Eaton	Orrin J. and Alice Alouisa Rogers
	8	Charles Freeman Hodgdon Jr.	Charles F. and Caroline Ethelyn Sears
	8	—Ferren	William F. and Gladys W. Ross
	17	Shirley Lorraine Pittsley	Walter L. and Elizabeth A. Rogers
	24	Lorraine Schylley Bryant	Alton D. and Stasia Schylley
	27	Phyllis Evelyn Howard	William and Bessie Bennett
Feb.	5	Frank Zutant Jr.	Frank and Mary A. Rizycki
	7	Stephen Page Hardy Jr.	Stephen P. and Madeline G. Boehme
	8	Stanley Robert Mills Jr.	Stanley R. and Marguerite A. Brown
	8	Stuart Harold Dudley	Harold L. and Jean Stuart
	10	Edgar Joseph April	Eugene and Cecile Surprenant
	13	Bertha Frances Richmond	Lewis K. and Lillian A. Allen
	13	Donald Alton Wood	Alton Morris and Madeline Burgess
	25	Shirley Mae Davoll	Benjamin R. and Mary Jane Purtell
	25	Billie Evelyn Mills	George E. and Helen Margaret Baker
Mar.	4	Margaret Jean Anderson	Ela W. and Jessie B. Whitney
	5	Jean Elizabeth Meier Ellis	Arthur A. and Louise A. Meier
	5	Alan Peter Dodge	Herbert E. and Gladys I. Wood
	5	Allan Dale Standish	Miles H. and Addie May Weld
	6	Paul Robert Horsman Jr.	Paul R. and Martha J. Meier
	6	Alfred Robert Gauthier	Elzeai and Mary C. Joyce
	14	Ivan Thomas Kinsman	Frank F. and Elizabeth L. Thomas
	16	—McDonald	Frank and Louise White
	17	Eugene Anacki	Michael and Olga Permainito
	19	Charles Lee Norton Jr.	Charles L. and Lucretia F. Morgan
	21	Alvina Joncas	Philip J. and Minnie E. Blair
	21	Barbara Louise Hallett	James and Hattie M. Ritter
	22	Daniel Wesley Anacki	Paul and Annie Koban
	23	Byrle Thomas	Frank W. and Georgette E. Harris
	23	Arnold Fred Thomas	Arnold L. and Bertha Russ
	26	David Smash	Andrew and Mary Sowryda
Apr.	2	Theresa Amanda Duphilly	Joseph M. and Amanda Fortin
	2	Blanche Elizabeth Perry	Warren E. and Alice L. Gale
	4	Joanne St. Amand	Ovila and Minnie L. McLaughlin
	4	Beatrice Mae Austin	Linwood W. and Beatrice H. Nickerson
	10	Mildred Myrtle Maxwell	Isaac E. and Myrtle S. LeBlanc
	11	Muriel Louise Caldwell	Harrison M. and Vera N. Hayward
	13	—Casey	Anselm G. and Louise A. Boehme
	15	Christopher Joseph O'Leary	Christopher J. and Doris C. Stubbart
	19	Beverly Augustine Gardiner	Howard C. and Annie Galfre
May	1	Claire Jean Rice	John B. and Edith M. Cameron
	4	—Wilmot	Alfred W. and Louise A. Whitehead
	4	Shirley A. Trinque	Dennis and Blanche E. Smith
	5	Barbara Evelyn Goodhue	Edward W. and Irma O. Foye
	7	Frederick Lawton Sisson	Phillip G. and Ella M. Thompson
	7	George Edwin Oates	Matthew T. and Mary McCabe
	7	Marjorie Grace Pike	Leander B. and Grace M. McDonald
	7	Earl Leonard Tallman	James A. and Elsie Bowline
	8	Ruth Elaine Harris	Charles E. and Ruth M. Gifford
May	12	Maynard Franklin Vickery Jr.	Maynard F. and Isabelle M. Caswell
	12	Shirley Jeanette Sanford	Kenneth W. and Florence E. Souza
	13	Louis Alfred Ticeno	Joseph and Margaret McCausland
	21	Priscilla Ann Bacon	Wallace A. and Florence H. Gaskin



	23	Louise Elaine Desrosiers	Napoleon and Rosaline Berriault
	25	Anthony Pina Silva	Jerome P. and Margaret Johnson
	26	Marjorie Louise MacTighe	Charles R. and Flora E. Dearing
	30	George Richard Hicks	Walter G. and Lempe Johnson
June	2	Jeanette Arlene Raymond	William F. and Harriett A. Churchill
	2	Carlon Emery Leland	George W. and Marion J. Emery
	8	Virginia M. Miller	Francis W. and Dehlia B. Mansfield
	9	Edwin Allen Jr.	Edwin and Helen C. Duguay
	10	Florence Louise Varney	Remington G. and Annie McMahon
	10	Phyllis Lucille Morse	Nahum B. and Lucille E. Haddon
	11	Alice Madeline Denson	Ernest L. and Evelyn Bouque
	13	Priscilla Joan Melville	David M. and Madeline M. Marshall
	13	Walter Alden Brown	Walter A. and May E. Pierce
	14	Calvin William Hitchcock	William N. and Lydia Ellis
	19	Celesta Isabell Athanasios	Charles and Jennie Wrightington
	19	Jean Audrey Graham	Frank A. and Gertrude L. Eastham
	20	Arlene Moranville	Clifton H. and Eva Broadbent
	26	Everett Richard McDonald	John and Mary J. Boucher
	28	Ellis Sheridan Bumpus Jr.	Ellis S. and Ella E. Tillson
	28	Phyllis Arleen Tribou	Charles L. and Albina B. Little
	28	Beverly Jean Hudson	Fletcher C. and Violet Williams
	29	Hugh Bigelow	Frederic I. and Ethel M. Clark
	29	Helen May Ruda	Joseph and Eliza P. Tripp
July	1	James Gamache	Joseph and Eyvonne Provost
	2	Ruth Emily Bettencourt	John and Ila Holmes
	2	Louis Mello	John and Mary Sylvia
	4	Elva Joan Fuller	Frederick M. and Eleanor M. Washburn
	5	Howard Francis Linton	Orville B. and Florence M. Mullins
	12	Shirley Almira Williams	Harry C. and Maud Kelland
	16	Aime Roger Phillip Fortin	Gideon and Marie Beaulieu
	17	Richard Leo Buttermore	Michael J. and Alice E. Sheridan
	24	—————Emoda	Ralph and Nellie Dias
	25	Vivian Shirley Pfister	August and Millicent F. Porter
	27	Francis Gerald Byrne	Joseph H. and Helen Fuller Shaw
	28	Andrew Freeman Griffith Jr.	Andrew F. and Elsie M. Sawyer
	29	Barbara Stone	Walter F. Stone and Irene E. Keith
	31	Ralph Gordon Conant Jr.	Ralph G. and Ruth L. Jones
Aug.	1	—————Strople	Arthur W. and Ethel M. Leet
	2	—————Martin	Nicholas and Annie Martin
	3	John Francis Fava Jr.	John Francis and Barbara W. Morse
	3	Lydia Frances Tubman	Kenneth L. and Doris F. Vickory
	6	Paul Shorey Smith	Paul T. and Annie M. Shorey
	7	Arthur Lloyd Parry	George W. and Nellie L. Harlow
	7	Reta Anne Flynn	Edward M. and Anna H. Spratt
	7	Evelyn Jewell Snow	Marshall A. and Gladys E. Keen
	12	Clifton Irvin Cordeiro	John S. and Verna M. Hopkins
	16	Claire Louise Sullivan	John W. and Alice H. Baker
	22	Paul David Coussins	Paul D. and Rose M. Ditano
	25	Lila Louise Horn	William F. and Elizabeth Griswold
	25	Kenneth Allen Hopkins	Elmer L. and Sarah B. Perry
	25	Francis Joseph Corsini Jr.	Francis J. and Mary R. Berriault
	31	Russell Weeman Howland	Frederick W. and Marion A. Weeman
Sept.	2	Shirley Ellen Hartling	Alva B. and Beatrice M. Pearson
	2	Louise Elizabeth Tibbetts	Frank C. and Lillian M. Hinks
	3	Eleanor Mary Ruprecht	Casper A. and Dorothy F. Hebert
	4	Eugene Edward McManus	Albert V. and Clara R. Jacintho
Sept.	4	Irene Veronica Ware	Warren F. and Annie A. Ware
	7	Walter Dezenawgis	William and Statia Kurcivicz
	12	Doris Elaine Pickering	Ray W. and Hazel A. Flood
	18	Melvin Gilbert Smith	Micheal R. and Beaulah R. Beach
	19	Phyllis Anne Wilbur	Allerton B. and Florence M. Maddigan
	20	David Elmer Makepeace	Chester F. and Mabel Pearson
	21	Richard Allan Ray	Seward W. and Cora B. Knapp
	23	John Albert Black Jr.	John A. and Laura F. Jones
	24	Charles Frederick Griswold Jr.	Charles F. and Hazel A. White
	25	Flora Belle Bernier	William L. and Belva F. Holmes
	27	Alice Jean Nourse	Royal H. and Zelma G. Keith
	27	Paul Pratt	Frederick A. and Alzada E. Gibnay

	30	Richard Allan Heleene	Walter and Helga J. Matson
	30	George Clifford Tanguay Jr.	George C. and Mazie C. Rogers
	30	Meredith Morton Caswell	William R. and Alice Dunham
Oct.	7	Carl Francis Pillsbury	Carl F. and Naomi M. Dempsey
	7	James White Pratt	Harold E. and Marion I. Robinson
	11	Shirley Keith Wright	John and Helen E. Standish
	12	Beatrice Cecilia Brooks	Herbert J. and Annie A. Benson
	12	Harold Elliott Campbell Jr.	Harold E. and Gertrude G. Orr
	14	Elaine Evelyn Rogers	Warren and Gertrude A. Waddington
	15	Beverly Elaine Thayer	Ewell P. and Maxine C. Sturgis
	17	Sylvia Louise Green	Sylvester and Lulu E. Brooks
	18	Janette Silva	Philip J. and Theresa R. Camandona
Oct.	21	Norman Francis Dunham	Francis M. and Jennie M. Snow
	23	Russell Farnum Snowden	Bedford R. and Florence M. Catlin
	26	Margaret Holmes	Elmer S. and Madeline Shaw
	31	Virginia Gladys Gates	Harold C. and Ellen G. McCarthy
	31	Reynolds	James D. and Fedora A. Filmore
Nov.	5	Ovel Thomas Bennett Jr.	Ovel T. and Elizabeth M. Dauner
	13	Robert Francis Kelly	Edward A. and Hilda M. Bacon
	14	Marjorie Claire Devlin	Charles P. and Elizabeth Creedon
	16	Marion Louise Johnson	William H. and Elizabeth M. Young
	17	James Camillo Martin	Jacintho C. and Anna Corriero
	18	Madelon Louise Moriarty	John V. and Mary M. Gibney
	19	Evelyn Louise LeBarnes	Frank A. and Cora Rickard
	25	Mildred Josephine Flynn	Joseph A. and Mildred Wallaitis
	28	Davis	Lester and Juliette Johnson
	29	John Charles Nichols Jr.	John C. and Frances Kunkis
Dec.	2	Rosemary Catherine Quigley	Leo and Gladys I. Eaton
	11	Charles Edward Jurgelewicz	John and Josephine Rozlowsky
	15	Oliver Francis Letourneau	Oliver and Violet Watts
	18	David Webb Shaw	Lewis N. and Elsie Griswold
	21	Mary Natalie O'Melia	Thomas F. and Mary N. Bernier
	25	Theresa Mary Guertin	Charles L. and Mary E. MacNeil

# MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO DURING THE YEAR 1929

1927	Name of Bride and Groom	Residence
Dec. 5	Napoleon Joseph Desrosiers Rosaline Atela Berriault	Middleborough Middleborough
1929		
Jan. 4	Kenneth Lord Tubman Doris Francis Vickery	Middleborough Middleborough
Feb. 2	Paul Green Laura Elsie Jones	Middleborough Braintree
7	Francis Corsini Marie Rose Alma Berriault	Middleborough Middleborough
11	Adelard Louis Boutin Jane Burnadette Cannon	Middleborough Newton Center
21	Michael Joseph Francis Waldron Hannah Mildred King (Leary)	Taunton Middleborough
22	John Lowell Sauer Margaretha Turnis Becker	Norwich, N. Y. Middleborough
23	David McClellan Melville Madeline Margaret Marshall	Middleborough Middleborough
Mar. 2	Leon Bennett Hatch Helen B. Pollard	Middleborough Taunton
16	Lawrence Bassett Gardner Dorothy Mae Libby	Barnstable Barnstable
23	Orville Bernard Linton Florence Mary Ohnesorge (Mullins)	Lakeville Middleborough
31	Samuel Kayajan Carrie Garabedian	Middleborough Salem, N. H.
31	Ardavest Kayajan Alice Garabedian	Middleborough Salem, N. H.
April 6	Samuel James Foye Lyda Beatrice Smith	Middleborough Boston
10	Clarence E. Harris Dorothy White	Boston Cambridge
16	John Reed Emerson Nellie MacKeag (Berry)	Middleborough Westbrook. Me.
18	Ralph William Hupfer Margaret Winston Drew	Boston Middleborough
20	Joseph Fasulo Adelena Costa	Middleborough Middleborough
22	William Edwin LeBaron Frances Elizabeth Brady	Middleborough Bourne
25	Walter George Durgin Louise Isabell Roberts (Peck)	Middleborough Middleborough
May 2	James Murdock Edna May Skalak	Middleborough Brooklyn, N. Y.



	22	George Ward Stetson	Middleborough
		Doris Pierce Kinsman	Middleborough
	22	Charles Irving Robbins	Plymouth
		Marie Hazel Cote	Plymouth
	25	Bertram Adin Hewitt	Middleborough
		Ruth Smith	W. Somerville
June	1	William Souza Moura	Middleborough
		Rose Sylvia Souza	Middleborough
	1	Charles Lester Newton	Middleborough
		Nora Cecelia O'Neil	Middleborough
	15	Oliva Joseph Lafrance	Norway, Maine
		Thelma I. Sawyer	Middleborough
	15	Jesse Irving Vaughan	Roslindale
		Sarah Rebecca White (Griswold)	Middleborough
	23	Russell Burgess Marshall	Bridgewater
		Eva Alma Grant	Lakeville
	23	Rhodolphus Porter Alger	Middleborough
		Elizabeth Copeland Smith	Middleborough
	23	George F. Reed	Lakeville
		Jessie Morrison	Middleborough
	25	Raymond H. Wood	Middleborough
		T. Ernestine Brigham	Lowell
	25	Laurence Linden Osborne	Middleborough
		Lillian Irene Peck	Middleborough
	29	George Freitas	Middleborough
		Cordelia Eldridge	Brockton
	29	John Theodore Nickols	Middleborough
		Frances Konces	Middleborough
July	3	John Robert Matheson	Middleborough
		Verna Marie Dunphy	Brockton
	5	Robert George Butler Jr.	Middleborough
		Mary Adeline Wood	Middleborough
	7	Edward Joseph Curley	Middleborough
		Mary Margaret Hennessey	East Bridgewater
	10	Alexander L. Laird	Boston
		Georgia M. Jains	Boston
	14	Walter H. Cassidy	Carver
		Mary Hall	Middleborough
	19	Joseph J. Corti	Middleborough
		Gladys Estelle Wall	Middleborough
	20	Stephen W. Bump	Middleborough
		Edythe S. Finneran	Middleborough
	27	Franklin Thomas Griswold	Bridgewater
		Jessie Ross Boynton	Bridgewater
	29	John Sillari	Plymouth
		Elizabeth Cotti	Middleborough
Aug.	7	William Douglas Church	Middleborough
		Mary Cecelia Gomes	Middleborough
	19	Preston Arthur Blackburn	Middleborough
		Dorothy Margaret Gow	Bridgewater
	19	Gordon Franklin Robbins	Middleborough
		Edith Anna Cronan	Middleborough



21	Leonard Eldridge Proctor	Middleborough
	Hazel Winifred Thomas	Middleborough
22	Paul Elmer Gary	Wareham
	Ethel Burgess Haskell	Middleborough
24	Ralph Wentworth Cram	Sudbury
	Florence Mae Heath	Middleborough
27	Thomas G. Pierce	Middleborough
	Clara M. Cleveland Andrews	East Wareham
27	Peter D. Gravelin	Middleborough
	Thelma E. Ray	Middleborough
28	Lawrence Frederick McCarthy	Middleborough
	Helen Pearl Given	Plymouth
31	John Baptist Giberti	Middleborough
	Alma Gertrude Galligan	Taunton
31	James H. Hall	Middleborough
	Catherine E. Kenney (Murphy)	Middleborough
31	James Joseph O'Neil	Taunton
	Dorothy Mary Malaguti	Middleborough
Sept.		
1	John Fink Ruzyski	Middleborough
	Anna Kanapa	Middleborough
3	Pliny B. Edson	Middleborough
	Grace A. Willis (Maddigan)	Middleborough
8	Frank Rosen	Middleborough
	Dora Wright	Middleborough
14	Norman E. Rudolph	Middleborough
	Madeline Katherine Keenan	Middleborough
14	Richard William Fessenden	Middleborough
	Bertha Eleanor Polley	Brockton
16	Norman Arvid Thornquist	Arlington
	Bernice Walton Means	Arlington
16	Joseph Delbert Derr Jr.	Taunton
	Ethel Bernice Keough	Middleborough
21	Francis Joseph Morrissey	Bridgewater
	Hannah Collins	Middleborough
22	Howard Sylvester Logrien	Middleborough
	Yvonne Mary Bois	Middleborough
23	Irving L. Seaver	Rochester
	Nellie E. (Benson) Bassett	Rochester
28	James Aloysius Murphy	Taunton
	Lucy Mary Trinque	Middleborough
Oct.		
5	Louis George Hanoian	Middleborough
	Frances Dellagatta	Middleborough
5	Richard Arzoomanian	Providence, R. I.
	Carrie Mary Colavecchio	Providence, R. I.
5	Charles Francis Stuart	Middleborough
	Crina Mary Fasulo	Middleborough
6	William John Malkoski	Bridgewater
	Laura Stanulewicz	Middleborough
12	Luke Francis Callan Jr.	Middleborough
	Bertha Marie Gibney	Middleborough
12	Donald Falconieri	Middleborough
	Sophie Radavich	Middleborough

12	William Joseph Sharkey	Plymouth
	Sara Helen Barrett	Middleborough
14	Charles Henry Francis Youngs	Providence, R. I.
	Ruth Maida Langton	Warwick, R. I.
15	John F. Carney	Middleborough
	Evelyn Winthrop Hoxie	Attleboro
18	William Lawrence Greene	Middleborough
	Mary Eleanor Kirby	West Bridgewater
19	Frank M. Conant	Middleborough
	Nellie McGinn	Middleborough
Nov. 7	Raymond Euric Leighton	Middleborough
	Nancy L. S. Macomber	Middleborough
9	Richard Tanguay	Middleborough
	Fannie Celia Roberts	Middleborough
9	Linwood Perry Day	E. Parsonfield, Me.
	Mildred Grace Wales	Limerick, Me.
9	Randolph Scott Thomas	Sagamore
	Edith Gertrude Logan	Middleborough
18	Marvin C. Jones	Duxbury
	Ruth J. Evans	Duxbury
26	Chester Marston White	Middleborough
	Louise Gilbert Holbrook	Middleborough
28	Eugene Francis Davis	Middleborough
	Evelyn May Sherman	Middleborough
28	Francis Herbert Bosari	Middleborough
	Ellen Marguerite Gaudette	Middleborough
28	Mitchell Willett Jr.	Rochester
	Alice Ouellette	Rochester
28	Louis L. Ouellette	Rochester
	Mary Blanche Willett	Rochester
Dec. 12	Harry E. Bowden	Brockton
	Bessie Bowen Jenney	Middleborough
21	Edward Austin Curley	Middleborough
	Marian Bernice Benson	Middleborough
27	Weston D. Harris	Lakeville
	Jessie L. Taylor (Egan)	Lakeville

# DEATHS RECORDED IN MIDDLEBORO FOR THE YEAR 1929

1928			Y	M	D
Dec.	28	Agnes C. Savard	27	5	14
1929					
Jan.	2	Justin John Cernauskos	45	7	1
	5	Linnie Lemunyon	53	7	0
	5	Annie Amanda Hammond	68	5	27
	8	Mary Murphy	58	8	24
	16	Lucy Buttrick Maxim	63	10	21
	17	Isabelle Harper Moquin	76	8	0
	17	Serena Beatrice Chapman	50	4	18
	18	Irene Isabel	1	0	0
	20	Maria Clifford Lovell	82	0	2
	24	Nellie May Brennan	44	4	8
	24	James F. Casey	72	0	0
	25	Hattie Anna Rudolph	54	7	11
	28	Betty Louise Preti	0	0	5
	30	Ellen Foster Gay	84	6	0
	30	Nathaniel Allerton Shurtleff	61	3	17
	31	Joseph Canavan	76	1	6
	31	Cordelia A. Finney	85	11	21
Feb.	1	Rhoda Ella Sparrow Wood	79	1	30
	2	Lewis James Riggs	84	4	27
	3	Alice B. Whittemore	79	0	0
	4	Mary Fayette Raymond	81	0	9
	6	Josiah Alton Perkins	70	9	29
	6	Sarah Elizabeth Dean	82	1	7
	10	Ednah William Drake	80	0	6
	11	Bertha Stets	25	0	0
	12	Catherine McQuade	73	0	2
	14	George Fox Tucker	77	0	28
	14	Alvaris Southworth Robinson	56	11	20
	16	Cornelius Howard Leonard	83	4	10
	21	George Licevic	67	0	0
	22	Lyman Porter Thomas	67	11	2
	22	Warburton Osgood Eddy	76	10	10
	25	Gustavis Harvey Long	86	5	6
Mar.	2	Mary Alice Warren	59	10	18
	3	Nellie E. Thompson	72	4	2
	10	Emilio N. Niro Jr.	0	4	9
	11	Lydia F. Brown	61	6	3
	14	Joseph T. LeBlanc	40	2	16
	16	Sylvia Casey	78	5	0
	17	Elizabeth Hartling	70	4	18
	19	Bertram Elmer Tobey	50	6	27
	21	Edward Martin Wesson	86	5	25
	22	Mary J. Jones	70	3	15
	24	Albert Small	73	3	3
	25	William Ainsworth Coombs	6	5	4
	25	Ulysse Savard	60	0	0
	28	William Franklin Dean	83	2	26
	31	Frederick H. Gross	77	9	17

Apr.	1	Jane G. Edson	92	3	4
	3	Mary Ellen Baro	64	5	28
	4	Ezra Morse	91	8	18
	7	Thomas Cuthbert McCormick	61	10	26
	7	Marie A. Sherman	81	4	24
	7	Hannah Sullivan	63	0	0
	10	Carrie F. Cobb	60	6	19
	12	John W. Darling	80	1	0
	22	Eli Boardman	58	7	26
	22	William Filemore Hallock	77	0	2
	26	Frances A. Adams	84	0	0
	29	Narcissa A. Perry	77	11	16
	29	James McCann	44	0	0
May	4	Charles Devlin	4	11	10
	13	Edward Washburn	85	5	0
	15	Senja Lünamaa	65	0	16
	25	Louise Elaine DesRosiers	0	0	2½
	27	Margaret L. Morris	20	7	29
	30	Henry Clay Tinkham	75	5	22
June	3	Nellie Harney	57	0	0
	6	Job W. DeMoranville	64	4	8
	8	Zenas Auger	85	7	28
	10	Baby Miller	0	0	2
	13	Mary A. Ruhl	72	11	9
	16	James A. Howard	68	0	0
	25	Arlene Moranville	0	0	5
	28	Herbert Wendall Churchill	57	10	9
	2	Rudolph Robichaud	0	11	8
	2	Frank L. Howlett	51	8	10
July	4	Beverly Hudson	0	0	5
	16	Julia Kontoes	40	0	0
	19	Evelyn Camillo Martins	0	10	27
	19	Elvira Elizabeth Eddy	79	11	22
	26	Frank H. Clayes	72	2	16
	28	Rosaline Desrosiers	21	4	19
	30	Emma J. Long	72	0	26
	31	Ida Florence Briggs	66	1	0
	1	Mary E. Bumpus	65	5	8
	1	Bert Heisler	47	9	11
	14	Estelle C. Doody	77	1	25
Aug.	14	Axel E. Erickson	73	5	3
	15	Hilda Costa	9	0	11
	15	Josephine Stanulewicz	39	9	11
	17	Thomas Hogan	81	4	0
	24	Mary Rachel Clough	90	0	0
	24	Horace C. Osborne	55	4	2
	31	James McQuade	68	5	6
	2	Flora Ella Lovell	81	3	0
	8	Eva May Sowerby	47	1	21
	13	Doris Elaine Pickering	0	0	1
Sept.	14	Elizabeth Billington	92	11	1
	21	David Elmer Makepeace	0	0	1
	28	Mary Eliza Deane	64	7	27
	29	Mary E. Vaughan	71	10	8
	29	Helen Bois	0	9	0



Oct.	5	Seth Alden Eaton	78	11	19
	9	Robert F. McDonald	5	4	0
	10	Frank W. Hastay	63	4	10
	18	Franklin E. Standish	68	0	0
	21	Elmer Daniel Hodgkins	67	0	4
	22	Herbert A. Pratt	51	10	12
	29	Catherine D. Young	56	10	4
	29	Grace Ella Littlefield	50	4	24
Nov.	6	Asa C. Bennett	73	4	20
	11	Susan F. Haskins	73	8	6
	11	Grover Bennett	85	6	3
	15	Jane Platt	70	1	29
Nov.	15	George C. Houlihan	29	1	13
	16	Fannie Dutra	25	3	20
	17	Margaret J. Tinkham	75	8	28
	20	Martha Boehme	62	7	2
	21	Harry Edgar Bump	52	2	10
	22	John Cox	73	5	16
	26	Asenath E. Marchant	76	7	19
	27	Isadore Sweetlovich	44	7	23
	29	Martin L. White	69	1	13
	30	Everett Tisdale Lincoln	78	10	14
Dec.	2	William P. Stickney	63	9	28
	10	Thomas P. Curry	61	0	0
	14	Ella L. Howland	74	10	25
	16	Ida E. Shattuck	86	2	9
	18	William Anthony Greene	55	3	15
	27	John Bartlett Carver	80	4	1
	28	George Herman Place	81	0	18
	28	Mary Prinzo	57	5	18

Respectfully submitted,

WALDO S. THOMAS,

Town Clerk

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

To the Board of Selectmen,  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

I hand you herewith the report of the Weights and Measures Department for the year 1929.

The State Standards and Weights located at 13 Forest St. are in excellent condition.

The Town scale located at the town barn should be scraped and painted to keep it from rust and decay. By doing this the scale will be put in first class condition to withstand the elements for some time to come. The Town standards and working equipment are all in good condition with one exception, namely, the Adv. Weights which must be given attention and renickled this coming year or they will have deteriorated so that new ones will be necessary. The large test weights have been recalibrated and painted and are now in good condition. As a whole, the conditions regarding Weights and Measures department throughout the town are very good.

The Gasoline Viz-Guage installed this year on about 99% of the gas pumps in town shows to the buying public just what they are getting for their money expended. While they are an excellent thing they are a source of continuous annoyance to the dealer, as they require constant attention, many times causing long trips, with the result that a condemned tag is affixed, by the Sealer.

During the year flour was found to be running short weight. A conference was called between the General Manager of the company involved, Town Manager Goodale and the Sealer. A satisfactory agreement was reached and put into effect at once. All short weight flour was removed from the town.

I would again recommend that all license fees for renewals or installations of pumps be advanced \$1.00 each; the amount thus received be credited to the Weights & Measures Department to make up in some way the cost of many trips where the pumps can not be sealed and another trip is required before the pump is made ready for sealing and a collection made.

During the year 1929 the following work was done:—

1992 pieces were sealed

147 “ “ adjusted

48 “ “ condemned

11 “ “ non-sealed

1212 articles were reweighed

1199 were corrected, 13 were underweight.

Cartons were inspected in 14 stores

18 Peddlers' licenses were inspected

5 milk dealers' jars were inspected

3 “ “ cans “ “

3 coal certificates inspected

14 stores were visited and bread labels and weights inspected.

2 Transient Vendors' licenses inspected

All clinical thermometers in three drug stores were inspected and record made of each.

5 ice dealers' scales were re-inspected

2 junk “ “ “ “

34 gasoline pumps were re-tested

614 stops on gas pumps sealed

18 peddlers were followed and licenses inspected, some of which were ordered out of town as their licenses called for another state.

During the year cheese, meat and butter were added to the articles which come under local licensing.

Transient Vendors' licenses have been inspected and found to be in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth. Peddlers' licenses were all checked and several

warned against law violations. In each instance the request of the Sealer was cheerfully complied with. Ice scales, junk scales and clinic thermometers came in for a systematic inspection, also a re-inspection, and with one or two exceptions were found to be O. K.

There was one prosecution during the year for violation of the peddling laws. A \$10.00 fine was imposed.

I wish to thank Town Manager Goodale for the great assistance he has given me, also Chief Sisson and the Honorable Board for their co-operation the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS C. LITTLEJOHN,

Sealer of Weights & Measures.



## REPORT OF THE MARIA L. H. PEIRCE LUXURY FUND

To the Selectmen of Middleboro

Gentlemen:—

I beg to report that from this fund, we furnish all the tobacco, the daily papers and Sunday papers, and all particular medical or surgical appliances for the residents of the Town Farm.

At Easter time, surprise baskets of Easter dainties were given to the residents and potted plants placed in the sitting rooms and dining room of the infirmary.

Each birthday is remembered with cake and ice cream for all and a special present for the one having the natal day. Holidays are also celebrated by having cake and ice cream for supper.

About two weeks previous to Christmas, each one was given a dollar bill for Christmas shopping.

On Christmas eve each one received a present of candy, slippers, tobacco and pipe or an apron.

As we continue to use this fund, we are impressed anew with the kindness of the thought that prompted this bequest enabling us to make easier the path of some of us not so plentifully endowed.

Thanking you for granting me the opportunity to get into touch with this phase of the work, I am

Very truly yours,

LELAH M. HATHAWAY,

Trustee Maria L. H. Peirce Luxury Fund.

## REPORT OF THE MOTH DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I offer for your consideration a report of work accomplished by the Moth Department for the year 1929.

In taking up the duties of Superintendent of this department, I have endeavored to carry the work along in very much the same manner, with a few exceptions as it has been in previous years.

In the late winter and early spring all roadsides throughout our town as well as the state road from the Rochester line to the Bridgewater line were scouted and all webs of the brown tail moth were gathered and burned. The egg masses of the gypsy moth were creosoted, which renders the eggs infertile. In patrolling the town we find as yet no great evidence of the brown tail moth, although in one section of Rock Village they are very plentiful, with a few at East Main Street and some scattered ones on other streets.

It is with reluctance that I speak of the Rock situation, but with a feeling that it is a good suggestion to fruit tree owners, that they spray their trees for the control of brown tail and gypsy moths. In one case the owner did not care to invest the sum of \$2.50 and consequently the fruit trees were defoliated and the crop destroyed.

So much for the owners loss, while a very conservative estimate of the cost of gathering the webs this winter will amount to five times the cost of spraying at the right time with the probability also of nearby orchards being contaminated.

The gypsy moth we find about the same as in 1928 with possibly a slight decrease. Large colonies are found on Plymouth Street near Nemasket Cemetery also at East Grove, Wood, Acorn, Chestnut and Short Streets.

The Elm leaf beetle which again appeared in 1928 are increasing at an alarming rate, and drastic measures should be used to save the beautiful trees of our town, and with the

co-operation of the towns people these pests can be controlled.

Only two reports of the satin moth were called to our attention, one at the corner of Wareham and Smith Streets and one at the corner of North and Everett, both being now under perfect control.

Spraying is in order about April 15. All roadsides of the town were treated with an arsenical spray, to control the tent caterpillar whose nests or webs are so unsightly to all who travel through the country. The same spray is used for the control of the brown tail and gypsy moth.

Private spraying is indeed quite a problem. Starting on or about May 20th and continuing from 15 to 20 days. The private spray jobs consisting of orchards, cranberry bogs, and potato fields, numbered 302. This work necessitates the use of two trucks, and two sprayers, early and late. The equipment of this department consists of one 400 gallon sprayer in first class condition capable of forcing spray to the top of our highest trees. The 200 Fitzhenry-Guptill power sprayers for lighter work that are in very poor condition and only by constant attention and care were we able to keep them in commission during the rush of private work. Through the remainder of the season, our work was completed by using parts of one to keep the other at work.

The trucks of the department are in good condition with the exception of one Ford Truck which has passed its usefulness. I earnestly recommend the purchase of one truck that in your opinion would be adequate, to replace it, also one new Fitzhenry-Guptill power sprayer, that will take care of our spraying jobs more efficiently, and economically.

For the purpose of keeping the public informed will say that this department is in a position to, and capable of, attending to any deceased tree whatever size removing if necessary or whatever surgery may be needed, also pruning fruit and shade trees. Estimates of the same gladly given.

In conclusion we thank you for your co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK S. THOMAS,  
Local Moth Superintendent



## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Board of Selectmen,  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

As my term as Inspector of Animals for the town of Middleboro expires on this day I hereby submit my report of Animal Inspection for 1928 and 1929 to date.

I have found a few cases of Tuberculosis during this year only, and I find owners are going into the "Accredited Herd Plan," more each year, which will eventually eradicate the dread disease.

At this time I believe Middleboro to be as free from Tuberculosis and perhaps more so than many of the nearby and surrounding towns.

This is the only contagious or infectious disease that has been the cause of much trouble during my term as Inspector, and Middleboro has escaped several diseases classed as such.

With few exceptions the barns are as good or perhaps even better, than they have been and in several cases I know, if they could be improved it would be beneficial to all, but in some cases the finances of the owners must be taken into consideration, as a reason why the conditions so exist or in other words, if the owners were able financially they would have better accommodations for their stock.

## SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

Number of Premises inspected	230
Number P. B. Cows H. 12 G. 12 A 21 J 17 MS 2	64
Number of P. B. Young H 7 G. 4, A 11, J 6	28
Number of Cows Grades H, 461, G, 200, A 50, J, 126, D.1 838	
Number Young Grades H. 76 G, 104, A. 23, J, 39	
Red 1 MS, 1	244



Number Oxen	14
Number Bulls P. B. H 5, G 4, A. 4, J, 1 M S 1	15
Number Bulls Grades H 7 G. 7, A 1 D 2 MS 1 J 1	19
Pig	97
Sheep	1
Goats	8

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Total Number Animals	1328
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In closing permit me to note that I have found your out-laying districts much easier to reach, by reason of greatly improved "Roads" that at times in my inspections previously were almost impossible to reach in any way but by walking.

I wish to thank Mr. Goodale, the Town Manager for all co-operation and assistance given me and I consider it a great privilege to have worked for so efficient and gentlemanly official.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. R. BORDEN, D. V. S.

Board of Selectmen,  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

Number of cattle shipped into Middleboro under State Test	114
Number of reactors killed	16
Number of dogs quarantined	7
Number of dogs killed having symptoms of rabies	2
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Very truly yours,

JOHN H. PUSHEE

## REPORT OF WIRE INSPECTOR.

Board of Selectmen  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen;—

I herewith submit my annual report as inspector of wires in the town of Middleboro ending December 31, 1929.

Total number of jobs reported for inspection	466
Number of minor jobs of which no inspection was made	27
Number of jobs not passed until corrections were made	15
Number of jobs yet to be inspected	16
Number of miles traveled on inspections	1238

I have reported three electricians to the State Examiners of Electricians for prosecution for violating our Local By-Laws and Electric Department Regulations; also one for doing electrical work without a license.

One thing that gives considerable trouble is the wiring done by an owner or tenant who has little or no knowledge of how to properly install wires to comply with safety rules and who fail to report any wiring done, as required by our By-Laws and Regulations of the Lighting Plant.

Another cause of trouble comes from the use of the cheap bridge or floor lamps. They are wired with small improperly insulated wire and soon give trouble.

I have re-inspected a number of old wiring jobs and have found a number of places where additions to the original wiring have been made in such a way that it caused a fire and life hazard. In such cases the owner or tenant has been notified and given a limited time to put the wiring in proper condition. I have found a few places where defective wiring was causing the meter to register all the time.

I am taking particular notice of the fusing of circuits to see that they are properly fused, as when the proper size fuse is used there is less liability of trouble even if the wiring is in poor condition.

I have attended ten meetings of the Massachusetts Association of Municipal Electrical Inspectors held in Boston. These meetings are of great importance to all wire inspectors as any unusual problems that have come up in any of the cities and towns are thoroughly discussed so that all the inspectors get a better understanding of what they may expect to find and be in a better position to handle them should they come up in his Town.

In conclusion I want to thank those electricians and others who have in any way helped to raise the standard of wiring in this Town the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH SAMPSON,

Inspector of Wires

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

The work this year, as in past years, has been wholly in removing dead trees and cutting out the dead limbs in others. While we have not taken down all the dead ones, we have selected those considered most dangerous, as our appropriation is not large enough to do all the work that proper regard for public safety would seem to indicate was necessary.

Dead trees have been removed on John Glass Jr. Square, Southwick, East Main, Courtland, West, Vine, Elm, High and Oak Streets.

All this work has been done by the men in the Moth Department and the cost charged to the Tree Warden Account. All the money charged to this account has been for labor and supplies, as the Tree Warden receives no compensation for the time he puts in on this work.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. GOODALE,

Tree Warden.



## FOREST WARDEN

There were forty-one calls for the services of this department this year, to put out grass and forest fires. The total acreage burned over was 28, and the estimated loss only \$114.00, as all the fires were either grass or on land of practically no value. The largest area burned in one fire was only four acres, and we had only one Railroad fire.

The cost of this department for this year, \$303.88, was for labor and materials, as the Forest Warden receives no salary.

H. J. GOODALE,

Forest Warden.

## REPORT OF DOG OFFICER.

Number of males licensed	766
Number of females licensed	168
Number of kennel licenses	2
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Total	936

Out of the total number of 69 stray dogs that were picked up, 13 were either claimed by their owners or suitable homes were found for them; the remaining 56 stray dogs were killed.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. HEWITT,

Dog Officer

# APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE SELECTMEN MAR. 1, 1929

Town Clerk & Accounting Officer	Waldo S. Thomas
Assessor	Harrison F. Shurtleff
Overseer of the Poor	Lelah Hathaway
Registrar of Voters	Minnie A. Jones
Health Officer	John T. Connor
Tree Warden	Harry J. Goodale
Burial Agent	Kendrick H. Washburn
Dog Officer	Robert Hewitt
Field Driver & Pound Keeper	E. Kimball Harrison
Fence Viewers	Alden C. Sisson
	Frederick S. Weston
	James A. Thomas
	Luther B. Pratt
Inspector of Animals	John H. Pushee
Inspector of Slaughtering	John T. Connor
Inspector of Milk	John T. Connor
Inspector of Wires	Ralph Sampson
Sealer Weights & Measures	Louis C. Littlejohn
Soldiers' Physicians	Dr. E. L. Perry
	Dr. A. Vincent Smith
Town Hall Agent	E. Kimball Harrison
Trustees of the Public Library	Walter L. Beals
	Leonard O. Tillson
	Nathan Washburn
Town Counsel	Nathan Washburn
Keeper of Lockup	Alden C. Sisson

## Public Weighers

Louis Ritter	Louis C. Littlejohn
Lura A. Bradford	Ernest S. Pratt
Howard T. Lincoln	John Dutra
Mable McCrillis	Wilson S. Scudder

Edwin F. Shaw  
 Albert F. Soule  
 Elliot H. Perkins  
 John Rebell  
 Avard L. Gates  
 Ralph D. Kelly

Jesse Hall  
 Lewis F. Harding  
 John E. McManus  
 Ivan B. Sparrow  
 Garrett E. Whitty

#### Special Police Officers

Paul Anderson  
 Louis C. Littlejohn  
 Ralph Sampson  
 Myron A. Bump  
 Warren E. Jefferson  
 S. Edward Mathews  
 Samuel Hathaway  
 Arthur B. Caswell  
 William O. Casey  
 Patrick McMahan  
 John J. Sullivan  
 Archer S. Phillips  
 Frank P. Stanton

Alton T. Smith  
 Frank Harrington  
 James J. Vigers  
 John Callan  
 E. Kimball Harrison  
 Elmer Gay  
 Lorenzo W. Rice  
 Bert S. Brown  
 Robert E. Hewitt  
 Walter Carmichael  
 George A. Barney  
 Ernest St. Armand  
 George R. Fredette

#### Measurer of Wood, Bark & Lumber

Leo. A. Quindley  
 Frank S. Thomas  
 William G. Wilcox  
 Charles N. Warren  
 Benjamin C. Shaw  
 Forest S. Churbuck  
 Albert T. Savery  
 Levi O. Atwood  
 Albert Deane  
 James A. Thomas  
 Chester E. Weston  
 William F. Clark

Frederick S. Weston  
 Myron W. Baxter  
 I. Mendall Boehme  
 Robert R. Melville  
 Harrison F. Shurtleff  
 David P. Wilcox  
 Henry W. Sears  
 Ernest I. Perkins  
 N. S. Cushing, Jr.  
 Ernest S. Pratt

#### Constables

Alden C. Sisson  
 Harry Allen

E. Kimball Harrison



## ELECTION OFFICERS

### PRECINCT 1

Warden—Bert J. Allan

Deputy Warden—Robert C. West

Clerk—Percy W. Keith

Deputy Clerk—Ernest I. Perkins

Inspector—Benjamin E. Holmes

Inspector—Harold M. Pratt

Deputy Inspector—William C. Allison

Deputy Inspector—Horace W. Macomber

Officer—Josiah T. Carver

### PRECINCT II.

Warden—Luke F. Kelley

Deputy Warden—John F. Perry

Clerk—John T. Connor

Deputy Clerk—Frank S. Thomas

Inspector—Frank Read

Inspector—John J. Mahoney

Deputy Inspector—Ralph W. Maddigan

Deputy Inspector—Stephen F. O'Hara

Officer—E. Kimball Harrison

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT, DECEMBER 31ST, 1929

## Number of Registered Voters Jan. 9th, 1929

Precinct 2	Men	1978
	Women	1755
Precinct 1	Men	106
	Women	98
Total Men		2084
Total Women		1853
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Total Voters		3937

## Number of Registered Voters Jan. 9th, 1930

Precinct 2	Men	1974
	Women	1764
Precinct 1	Men	105
	Women	98
Total Men		2079
Total Women		1862
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Total Voters		3941

There were five public meetings and several private meetings of the Board. At the public meetings, forty-four names were added to the voting list. The other meetings were devoted to adjusting the lists to date.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. COUGHLIN,

Chairman of Board

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Much more work has been done by this department this year than any previous one, due to the larger appropriation, and use of the gravel crushing plant, purchased in 1928, through the whole year.

The purchase of this plant has proved to be a very wise one, and one that just fits our particular needs. With the addition of this plant to our equipment we have been able to place much better material on our roads, and at a much less cost than ever before. With the old method of loading our trucks with a belt conveyor we thought that we were very fortunate if we could build gravel roads at a cost of \$1.25 per cubic yard. This year we have brought the cost down to \$0.97 per cubic yard, and as we have used 14812 cubic yards, this represents a saving of \$4,147.36, or nearly the total cost of the plant.

The roads upon which we have worked this year are given in the following schedule:—

Street	Cu Yds. Gravel.	Cost	
Thompson St.	1521	\$1171.45	
River St.	1768	1402.77	
Summer St.	1875	2285.33	
Vernon St.	1152	1355.94	
Center St.	3886	4336.89	Total 1928 & 29. Gravel 5770 cu. yds. cost \$6277.16.
Cambridge St.	220	233.22	
Frank St.	156	340.52	
Shaw Ave.	187	170.51	
Rice St.	245	431.13	Includes oiling.
Montello St.	915	2137.12	Gutters completed, road in- complete.
Benton St.	220	362.66	Includes setting curb.
Wood & Bridge Sts.	892	959.99	
Pleasant St.	730	615.60	
	<hr/> 13,767	<hr/> \$15,803.13	

1055 cu. yds. of gravel placed on ten other streets at a cost of \$1261.96.

## SIDEWALKS

Gravel and ash sidewalks have been built on Webster, Oak, Forest, Clifford, Center, Vine and Bourne Streets.

The appropriation for this work was materially reduced this year so that little could be accomplished. I trust that it will be increased for 1930 as there is much that should be done.

Cement walks were built this year on the south side of Center St. from Oak St. westerly; on the northerly side of Center Avenue, and on the easterly side of Pearl St. from Peirce St. southerly. This appropriation was also much too small to meet the demands for hard walks.

## CENTER STREET IMPROVEMENT

The car tracks in the middle of Center St. have been a nuisance and source of danger for a long time. With the discontinuance of the use of these tracks by the Street Railroad, an opportunity was given us to cover them up and oil the whole surface of the road. This was done early in the summer and has not only improved the appearance of the street, but eliminated a source of danger.

## DRAINAGE.

Drainage conditions in the center of the town are bad, and as soon as money is available this situation should be remedied, particularly the North St. section at the junction of Myrtle, School, Pearl and Rice Streets, and on Vine and West Streets.

There are poorly constructed drains put in quite a few years ago in both of these sections, and it is only by spending a considerable sum of money each year that they are made to work at all, and even then are very unsatisfactory.



## OILING AND PATCHING

54800 gallons of road oil were used this year, and 10570 gallons of patching material. The continual increase of gravel surfaced roads and the increased use of automobiles necessitates an annual increase in the appropriation each year if the surface of the roads is to be kept in the condition which the citizens have a right to expect.

## BRIDGES

The bridge on Soule St. has been repaired and replaced the stringers and flooring.

A much needed improvement has been made on the approach to the river bridge on Vernon St. The road at this point was very narrow and the guard rail badly rotted. To remedy this condition cement curbs on top of the retaining walls were put in and wire guard fence erected. This work widens the road and corrects a very dangerous condition.

Culverts have been rebuilt on Marion Road, Center, Ash, Bedford and Clay Streets. By keeping these waterways open added protection is given to the roads.

## SEWERS

The usual number of new connections have been made this year, and the usual number of stoppages have been cleared.

All the catch basins have been cleaned out twice, and many of them three times.

One extension on Clifford Street has been made. In doing this we encountered ledge nearly the whole length, which increased the cost of construction considerably above the estimate.

## SNOW

Although no large snow storm occurred during the year it was necessary to plow the roads once in January, three times in February, once in March, and once in December.

Total snow fall for the year was 36 inches.

## EQUIPMENT

Our equipment with the exception of the crushing and hot mixing plant at the yard are in very good condition.

The boiler used to operate these plants is nearly worn out, and we may with considerable patching and careful use get by with it this year, but have been informed by the inspector that that is all we may expect of it. If we are to use this plant another year we will need to purchase some electric motors, as this will be cheaper to operate than steam and much more convenient.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL F. ANDERSON,

Superintendent.

## JURY LIST, MIDDLEBORO, MASS.

June 29, 1929.

James H. DeMoranville, Shoeworker, Center St.  
Herbert L. Johnson, Tel. Empl., Clay St.  
John Sigworth, Farmer, Mill St.  
William C. Allison, Shoeworker, Pleasant St.  
Nathan P. Richmond, Shoeworker, Pleasant St.  
Robert C. West, Farmer, Pleasant St.  
Claude H. Turkington, Farmer, Plymouth St.  
Anthony C. Coombs, Salesman, Alden St.  
Valentine Deane, Shoeworker, Arch St.  
Ernest St. Amond, Shoeworker, Arch St.  
William J. Huxley, Shoeworker, Arch St.  
Winthrop E. Benson, Shoeworker, Arch St.  
William H. Hayward, Clerk, Barden Hill Road  
Victor Landstrom, Plumber, Barden Hill Road  
Chester V. Duncklee, Clerk, Barrows St.  
Ernest B. Jones, Contractor, Barrows St.  
Herbert W. Cornish, Carpenter, Benton St.  
Myron L. Hinckley, Jeweler, Benton St.  
William J. Coughlin, Shoeworker, Benton St.  
Charles A. Shaw, Salesman, Bourne St.  
Kenneth C. Leonard, Salesman, Bourne St.  
Earl C. Raymond, Shoeworker, Carey St.  
Chester S. Mendell, Shoeworker, Center St.  
Gilbert Broadbent, Mechanic, Center St.  
Charles L. Card, Shoeworker, Center St.  
Charles E. Reed, Mechanic, Center St.  
Ralph J. McQuade, Clerk, Center Ave.  
Paul Greene, Florist, Cherry St.  
L. Mendall Boehme, Clerk, Coombs St.  
Merton Braley, Painter, Court End Ave.  
Rhodolphus P. Alger, Salesman, Court End Ave.  
Harold A. Williams, Merchant, Courtland St.  
Maynard H. Goodridge, Shoeworker, Courtland St.  
Walter E. Wells, Ins. Agt., Elm St.

Frank E. Benton, Carpenter, Everett St.  
 James Maxim, Laborer, Everett St.  
 William E. Whitty, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Daniel H. Harrington, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Everett W. Martin, Insurance, Everett St.  
 Albert B. Shaw, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Ralph E. Longfellow, Mechanic, Everett St.  
 George E. Budd, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Roger V. Anderson, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 Franklin A. Peirce, Shoeworker, Everett St.  
 John A. Witbeck, Clerk, Everett St.  
 Elijah S. Ober, Farmer, Everett St.  
 Robert E. Hewitt, Shoeworker, Fairview St.  
 A. Dalton Champlin, Clerk, Forest St.  
 Joseph P. Hayden, Shoeworker, Forest St.  
 Austin L. Beals, Salesman, E. Grove St.  
 Arthur B. Caswell, Shoeworker, Jackson St.  
 Mason H. Legge, Shoeworker, Lovell St.  
 Fletcher L. Barrows, Shoe Mfgr., So. Main St.  
 Ezra F. Shaw, Varnish Mfgr., So. Main St.  
 Albert D. Walker, Student, So. Main St.  
 William D. McMillan, Shoeworker, So. Main St.  
 Elwyn B. Lynde, Retired, So. Main St.  
 Morrill S. Ryder, Retired, So. Main St.  
 Charles W. Clark, Farmer, So. Main St.  
 Allerton E. Wilbur, Farmer, Marion Road  
 Harlas L. Cushman, Salesman, Miller St.  
 Herbert W. Batchelder, Shoeworker, Montello St.  
 Ernest S. Pratt, Ice Dealer, North St.  
 Royal G. Nourse, Shoeworker, North St.  
 Bernard S. Howes, Salesman, North St.  
 D. Melvern Gammons, Shoeworker, North St.  
 Alfred Hodder, Barber, Oak St.  
 Charles Boehme, Shoeworker, Pearl St.  
 H. Dexter Parrish, Shoeworker, Pearl St.



William A. Green, Foreman, Pearl St.  
 John M. Deane, Farmer, Precinct St.  
 Sylvanus L. Brett, Shoecutter, Rock St.  
 Sylvester Green, Shoeworker, Shaw Ave.  
 Harry W. Howes, Supt., Thomas St.  
 Fred Lang, Shoeworker, Union St.  
 Robert A. Clark, Salesman, Walnut St.  
 Elisha H. Shaw, Clerk, Wareham St.  
 Henry P. Messer, Shoeworker, Wareham St.  
 Henry J. Campbell, Shoeworker, Wareham St.  
 Harris B. Tripp, Chauffeur, Wareham St.  
 William F. Shaw, Ins. Agt., Wareham St.  
 Allan R. Thatcher, Manager, Webster St.  
 Howard J. Shurtleff, Shoeworker, Webster St.  
 Leslie G. Moranville, Shoeworker, Webster St.  
 George W. Perkins, Machinist Webster St.  
 Charles C. Chandler, Foreman, Webster St.  
 Edward Begley, Merchant, Webster St.  
 Horace K. Atkins, Photo finisher, Williams Place  
 John E. Erickson, Y. M. C. A., Wood St.  
 Freeman T. Shaw, Mechanic, Wood St.  
 William L. Frost, Farmer, Wood St.  
 Charles H. Tripp, Fish dealer, E. Main St.  
 Arthur Belcher, Clerk, E. Main St.  
 Frank Leighton, Merchant, E. Main St.  
 Matthew Allison, Clerk, E. Main St.  
 Alonzo R. Dealtry, Clerk, No. Main St.  
 Walter C. Shaw, State Emp., No. Main St.  
 S. Forest Smith, Shoeworker, Pearl St.  
 Charles A. Lee, Retired, Pearl St.  
 Elmer E. Phinney, Secretary, Pearl Court  
 Adnah H. Harlow, Salesman, Peirce St.  
 A. LeRoy Chadwick, Shipper, Peirce St.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR PLYMOUTH COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE, 1929.

The Plymouth County Extension Service cooperated with citizens in every town in the county this past year in bringing to them information about agriculture and home-making. Local and county-wide meetings were held for this purpose. Through the meetings and by means of correspondence, press notices, and by individual service, thousands of men, women, boys, and girls, were instructed in the better performance of farm operations and home duties.

Many Middleboro people attended the meetings, demonstrations, and tours conducted by the county agent. At one series of three dairy meetings, an orchard tour, and a turkey growers' meeting, held in Middleboro, there was an attendance of more than 300 farmers. Representatives of the Massachusetts Agricultural College and leading farmers were the speakers. The county agent visited 32 different farms in the town to leave definite advice about poultry raising, dairying, and orcharding. Letters and bulletins on agricultural subjects are sent regularly to 152 Middleboro farmers.

The town also had an exceptionally strong extension program for the home-makers. Six garment finish groups were formed in various parts of the town and successfully completed this project. Middleboro also participated in other clothing projects and had a share in the nutrition and garden programs. The local extension committee is planning an equally strong program for the current year.

Thirty-one boys and girls enrolled in the 4-H clothing, garden, and canning clubs in 1929. The enrollment for 1930 winter clubs now includes 75 boys and girls who are studying food, clothing, and handicraft. The clubs are all organized and holding meetings regularly with their leaders. They are following out their programs with actual experience at home.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR STANDISH,  
Local Agent.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Middleboro, Mass.

December 31, 1929.

Board of Health,  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my first annual report of slaughtering for year ending December 31, 1929.

No one made application for licenses to slaughter during year. What was done was by people who raised them.

Number of Neat Cattle	0
Number of Veal	1
Number of Hogs	10
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	11 Total

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. CONNOR,

Inspector of Slaughtering.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF MILK

Middleboro, Mass.  
December 31, 1929

Board of Health  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my first annual report. On September 17, I was appointed to the position left vacant by resignation of Mr. Edward B. Van Dusen. Since then I have taken four collections of milk from some thirty-two dairies, comprising some three hundred and fifty cows.

From the report of Mr. George E. Bolling of Brockton, two of them contained garget. Most of them were up to standard in solids and butter fats, and only in two was the bacteria high, all the rest were very low in bacteria. They were attended to at once and on second test were found all right.

I have received a letter from Dr. George H. Bigelow, wanting me to bring before your Board to have tubercular tested cows. I did, and on August 24, you held a public hearing, which I could not attend, as I was away; but it seems all of the producers who did attend were opposed, unless it became a county law, and your Board voted to lay the matter on the table.

But I hope sometime in the near future you will hold another public hearing and I will have someone from the state to speak in favor of it.

Licenses and Permits issued in 1929.

Milk Licenses	93
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Oleomargarine	8
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Summary of Milk Analysis.

Analysis for Butter Fat	82
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“ “ Total Solids	82
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“ “ garget	5
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Respectfully,

JOHN T. CONNOR,

Inspector of Milk



## REPORT OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

Middleboro, Mass.  
December 31, 1929.

The Board of Health  
Middleboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my First Annual Report. I came into office April 1, 1929, and found a peculiar situation. There were a number of chickenpox cases reported and on going around, I found most of them adults and all of them had chickenpox before, also, that none of them had ever been vaccinated. On April 19, I had 49 active cases and among them some very bad cases.

On April 22, I attended a Health Convention at Hyannis where I met Dr. Richard P. MacKnight and called his attentions to conditions here. He came to Middleboro that same evening. I showed him some of the worst cases. He reported to Commissioner of Contagious Diseases, Dept. of State, Dr. Clarence L. Scamman, who with Dr. Place of Boston City Hospital, came to town April 23, and pronounced them smallpox, and advised me to call a meeting of the Board for that evening, which was done, and they advised compulsory vaccination, which the Board granted.

On April 25, vaccination started in different sections of the town, at the Town House, Church chapel, at the Green, South Middleboro School, North Middleboro at Pratt Free School and the Community Church at Rock. The first day there were over five thousand vaccinations, and I want to state here, that both Dr. Scamman and Dr. Place said they had never seen such hearty cooperation as the people of Middleboro had shown and they were very much pleased.

From then on conditions began to improve. The last onset was May 5. Of the 223 cases in town, we had 1 in January, 5 in February, 40 in March, 144 in April and 33 in May. God was very merciful to us, as not a death occurred and the expense was not as great as many anticipated.

Total vaccinations April 25-28, 1929	9,906
Total Read May 2-4, 1929	6,860
Of those read there were 6342+ and 518 revaccinations	
Percentage of	92.4%
Out of town vaccinations	665

I want to thank all the Doctors for their courtesy to me, also, Town Manager Goodale, Superintendent of Schools, J. Stearns Cushing, Health Nurse, Miss Helen Pasztor and Chief of Police Sisson, Motorcycle Officer Murdock for their great help in relieving the people in quarantine, also, your Board for your confidence in me during this trying period.

### HEALTH NURSE

Miss Helen Pasztor, R. N., has taken a great interest in the Dental Clinic. She has had from ten to fifteen children from the lower grades in every Wednesday morning to have their teeth cleaned, extracted or filled. Dr. Wood has done a great work for the short time he has. We have attended Health Conventions at Hyannis, Osterville, New Bedford, South Hanson and Canton.

### CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

Scarlet fever has had quite a run for the past two years. There were some seventy-seven cases from the first of year until school closed in June. Until the opening of school in September there were no contagious Diseases, when six cases were reported from Union St. School. Then we had some fourteen cases reported from School Street. At no

time has the situation been serious. I have been in consultation with Dr. Richard P. MacKnight and Superintendent of Schools Cushing. We have had Dr. Smith and Miss Pasztor visit these schools every day, but conditions are no different here than in a number of cities and towns where the same thing has occurred. Outside of the scarlet fever cases we have no communicable diseases reported since opening of the schools.

There has been no new tubercular cases. We have six patients at Plymouth County Hospital.

#### RECORDS OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT ON CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

Month	Anterio Plomelitsis	Chickenpox	German Measles	Pneumonia Lobar	Measles	Scarlet Fever	Mumps	Smallpox	Whooping Cough	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Other forms of Tuberculosis	TOTAL
January				3	2	18		1	10			34
February		2			11	18		5				36
March		2			87	28		40	6			163
April						16		144				160
May		17			6	5		33				61
June		5				2	1			2		10
July		5									1	6
August												
September		4				20						24
October	1	4	1			14				1		21
November				1		23						24
December		1		1		14			6			22
												561

#### BAKERIES

I have made two inspections of bakeries, one with State Inspector and found most of them complying with the law. In a few cases their attention was called to some of the things which needed to be done, and they were complied with cheerfully.

The restaurants and wayside stands were investigated a number of times during the summer, and will say that in most cases the owners want to do everything that the law requires, and I have had hearty cooperation from them.

## Garbage

The collection of garbage was handled in a very satisfactory manner the past summer. Very few complaints were made, and I want to congratulate Mr. Jennings in the way he has handled it.

## Public Dump

When I came into office there were numbers of complaints on the condition of the dump. I appointed Mr. A. A. Sisson caretaker and have had nothing but praise for him, the way he has handled it. He has a place built in from East Grove Street where the trucks can back in and dump very easily, also, keeps all papers and such burned up. Had a number of complaints about the rats there. We obtained a poison that we put around there. Mr. Sisson tells me that there are very few of them now, and I have not had a complaint for months.

## Financial Statement

Milk Licenses	93 at 50c.	\$46.50
Alcohol	“ 22 at \$1.00	22.00
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		\$68.50

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. CONNOR, Agent

The duties of a Public Health and School Nurse are so closely inter-related that it is impractical to separate the activities into two reports. Therefore I have written a full report of my duties under one heading namely “The Report of the Public Health and School Nurse” which you will find incorporated under the School Department Report.

HELEN B. PASZTOR, R. N.



## MIDDLEBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY

January 10, 1930

To the President and Board of Trustees  
of the Middleborough Public Library:

I have the honor to present the annual report covering the year ending December 31, 1929.

This year the library rounds out twenty-five years in the building so generously given to the people of Middleboro by Mr. Thomas Sproat Peirce. Middleboro is indeed fortunate to have a library of such size and beauty, and in the twenty-five years of its existence many architects and other visitors have praised the beautiful architecture and design of the building.

On April 25, 1904 the new library building was opened for the inspection of the townspeople, and the following day was opened for business. That the new library was popular is evidenced by the fact that the circulation for that year showed an increase of 15,000 over the previous year when the library was located in the Town Hall.

## CIRCULATION

In the year 1904 the circulation for the year was 44,410 and in 1929, twenty-five years later the library issued 81,863 books. Of the books issued, 49,197 were fiction, 13,685 non-fiction, 3,918 magazines, 119 foreign books and 18,926 were borrowed from the young peoples' room.

On February 23, 1929 the library had the largest circulation in its history issuing on that day 669 books. That February is the peak month is shown by the fact that other record days have all occurred in that month, the one previously having been on February 20, 1926 when 601 books were issued.

## EFFECT OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

The circulation for 1929 would undoubtedly have been much larger had it not been for the epidemic which visited the town in the Spring. During this epidemic of smallpox our circulation dropped to about one third of its usual volume, despite the assurances of the doctors that no possible harm could come from library books. It took many months for the public to overcome their fear and it was not until well into the Fall that circulation became normal.

We lost a great many books because of contagious diseases, as it is a rigid rule of the library never to take back a book that has been in a home where there has been contagious disease, whether or not the book has been in the room or in contact in any way with the one who is ill. The borrower is instructed to destroy the book and the library stands the loss, feeling it is wiser to sacrifice the book and save the peace of mind and retain the confidence of the public.

## BRANCHES

The branch that was opened in North Middleboro at the request of the Community Club is functioning well under the efficient supervision of Mrs. Stephen Richmond, who generously gives her time and home to this work.

Deposits of books are kept at the Rock, South Middleboro and Bates Schools, and at the Montgomery Home.

After nine years of efficient and loyal service, Miss Laura Deane has found it impossible to continue the branch that has been located in her home at East Middleboro. Miss Deane has given a great deal of her time and energy to this work without any financial recompensation, and to her we owe a debt of gratitude for having made it possible for the people of East Middleboro to enjoy books from the main library.

## REPAIRS

During the twenty-five years the library has been built almost nothing has been done in the way of repairs. The time has come when some re-decorating is necessary.

In September the Trustees Room was re-decorated. Sanitas wall covering in a soft grey was put upon the walls and the paint was refinished in a warm ivory, making a very attractive room.

There is much that remains to be done, and the coming year it is hoped that more re-decorating may be done where it seems to be most needed.

## ACTIVITIES

In January the library sponsored a series of talks on new books given by Mrs. Wanda Power Tauber of the Personal Book Shop, Boston. This course proved very popular, and we are planning to have Mrs. Tauber give another course the coming year.

The Cabot Club had a most interesting exhibit and talk on etchings in the Community Room on January 11th. Under the same auspices was held an exhibit of batik and tied-and-dyed work, with a lecturer from Boston.

In May John Callan, a local artist, held an exhibit of his work in the exhibition hall of the library. The walls were filled with paintings and drawings of unusual merit, and the display aroused much interest.

The Community Room is in constant use, the District Nursing Association, State University Extension, the Symphonic Society, the Cabot Club, the Girl Scouts and other societies enjoying its use.

During Book Week, which this year came in the week of November 17th, an exhibition was held of the work of Middleboro artists. This not only included paintings and drawings by local people, but also basketry, needlework, hand



wrought jewelry, painted china and iron work, tinted winter bouquets, photography, cabinet and batik work.

This exhibition aroused more interest than any previously held, and there was large attendance every afternoon and evening during the week the exhibit was open. Because of the many requests, the exhibition was kept open into the next week.

The staff has been well represented at library conferences. Miss Florence Robinson attended the meeting of the American Library Association held in Washington in May. The librarian was in attendance at the conference of the Massachusetts Library Club held in June at Provincetown. Other members of the staff have attended meetings in Brockton, Boston and other nearby cities.

The librarian spoke on new books before the Evening Alliance of the Unitarian Church, the Cabot Club and the Parent Teachers Association, and at the High School on "Books as Companions" before the Southeastern Massachusetts League of School Publications

### IN APPRECIATION

We are very grateful to all those who contributed their handiwork to our exhibition held during Book Week and so helped to make it the success it was.

We wish to express our thanks to the teachers in charge of deposits of books, to Mrs. Richmond of North Middleboro and others who are helping in this way.

It is with sincere regret and a deep sense of gratitude to the librarian there that we discontinue the branch at East Middleboro. Miss Laura Deane has given her loyal service for over nine years.

The Middleboro Gazette has been most generous in allowing us space. That this type of publicity is of great benefit to the library is evidenced by the many calls we receive for the books mentioned in the columns of the Gazette.



We are grateful to the friends who have presented the library with books, magazines, plants and flowers.

The librarian wishes to take this opportunity once more to express to the Board of Trustees her very great appreciation for their cooperation and loyal support, and to the staff for their faithful service which has made possible the successful year just reviewed.

## STATISTICS

### Circulation of books

#### Central Library

#### Adult circulation

Fiction	48,331	
Philosophy	437	
Religion	216	
Sociology	707	
Languages	55	
Sciences	690	
Useful arts	1,140	
Fine Arts	958	
Literature	1,640	
History	931	
Travel	1,418	
Biography	1,249	
Magazines	3,918	
Foreign	119	
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#### Juvenile circulation

Fiction	8,791	
Non-fiction	8,208	
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Branch circulation				
East Middleboro				
	Fiction	489		
	Non-fiction	63		
	Juvenile	219		
		<hr/>	771	
North Middleboro				
	Fiction	324		
	Non-fiction	84		
	Juvenile	95		
		<hr/>	503	
South Middleboro School				
	Non-fiction	4		
	Juvenile	267		
		<hr/>	271	
Rock School				
	Juvenile		391	
Bates School				
	Fiction	108		
	Non-fiction	56		
	Juvenile	955	1,119	3,055
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Total circulation for 1929				81,863
Number of volumes owned by library Jan. 1, 1929				31,387
"	"	"	added by purchase	1,027
"	"	"	" " gift	68
"	"	"	" " binding	48
			(magazines)	
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Total number of volumes added				1,143
				<hr/>
				32,530

Number of volumes lost or discarded	409	
Number of volumes owned by library Dec. 31, 1929	32,121	
New cards issued		
Adults	209	
Juveniles (Under 14 years)	167	
		376

Respectfully submitted,

MERTIE E. WITBECK,  
Librarian.

## MIDDLEBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT OF THE CHIEF

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to present herewith, for your consideration, the ninth annual report of the Chief of the Middleboro Fire Department, for the year ending December 31, 1929, in accordance with Section 16 of Chapter 592, Acts 1920.

### APPARATUS

The apparatus of the department consists of the following:—

1 Maxim 1000 Gallon Pumping Engine purchased April 23, 1928.

1 Maxim 500 Gallon Pumping Engine, purchased June 28, 1920.

1 Knox Combination Chemical and Hose Car, purchased October 14, 1912.

1 Maxim City Service Ladder Truck, purchased October 11, 1915.

1 Maxim Hose Car, purchased May 12, 1914.

All are well supplied with ladders, 3 gallon hand extinguishers and the most necessary appliances for aiding the extinguishing of fires.

### ORGANIZATION

The personnel of the Department at the close of the year is as follows:

One Call Chief.

One Permanent Deputy Chief.

One Call Deputy Chief.

One Permanent Captain.



Four Call Captains.

Eight Permanent Drivers.

Thirty-nine Call Men and nine substitute members.

One Fire Police.

A total of 65 members.

## OPERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT ALARMS

Month	Box	Squad	Still	Warden	Totals
Jan.		6	17	3	26
Feb.		2	5		7
Mar.	1	5	8	7	21
Apr.		3	9	4	16
May	1	6	6	3	16
June	1	3	2	5	11
July	2	4	6	4	16
Aug.	1	2	4	4	11
Sept.	3	2	4		9
Oct.	2	6	5		13
Nov.		9	5		14
Dec.		3	6		9
Totals	11	51	77	30	169

### Equipment used

	2½ hose	¾ hose	3 gal. tanks	40 gal. foamite tank	PC pyrene	
Box	3650'	1400'	8	1		
Squad	2450	5400	41	1		
Still		2850	61		4	1
Warden			58		70	
Totals	6100'	9650'	168	1	2	74

## Mileage

	Box	Squad	Still	Warden	Total
Engine No. 1	14.7	381	133.4		529.1
Engine No. 2	14.7	13.5			28.2
Comb. No. 1	14.7	1.7		1.7	18.1
Comb. No. 2	14.7	12.6	9.1	179.7	216.1
Ladder No. 1	14.7				14.7
Totals	73.5	408.8	142.5	181.4	806.2

Hose on hand Jan. 1, 1930	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	6250
	$\frac{3}{4}$ "	750
3 Gal. tanks charged		126

## FIRE LOSSES

## Claims settled 1929

Assessed value buildings	\$40,900.00
Insurance on buildings	84,300.00
Estimated value of contents	34,200.00
Insurance on contents	32,200.00
Damage to buildings	28,120.47
Damage to contents	11,857.77
Insurance paid on buildings	28,120.47
Insurance paid on contents	10,232.77
Total values	\$75,100.00
Total insurance	116,500.00
Total damage	39,978.24
Total insurance paid	38,353.24

## Permits issued

Gasoline	53
Garage	13
Fireworks	5
Dynamite	4

## Inspections

Business property	1367
Special	125
Leonard & Barrows	87

The apparatus is in good performing condition.

Ladder 1 and Combination 2 wagon need painting and varnishing very much. The engine of Engine 1 has been thoroughly overhauled, cylinders reground and new brake drums put on. For additional safety measure, booster brakes have been installed.

The total alarms have fallen off this year, most notably in the Box and Still alarms. Perhaps the decrease in Still alarms, and in fact all alarms, may be attributed to the efficient inspection of all buildings in town last year, and owners' and occupants' attention called to the then existing fire hazards and advice given to remedying them. In addition to this the continual inspection of all business properties with the cooperation of tenants in endeavoring to minimize fire hazards, has been a significant factor in not only reducing the number of fires, but the fire losses.

As you will note, with the assessed value of buildings of \$40,900.00 and estimated value of contents of \$42,000.00, the damage in excess of insurance paid was only \$1625 for the year, this being the lowest loss for a number of years. There has been almost 100 special inspections more than reported in 1928. By direction of your Board, the daily inspection of one of the factories has been made.

To all property owners, especially in the suburbs, I would like to emphasize the importance of inspection and cleaning out of their chimneys. This will result in less calls for the Fire Department to respond to, lessen the possibility of losing your home, and perhaps prevent damage to the apparatus, or fatal accident to those responding with the apparatus, such as was so recently averted in responding to a call of this kind.

The facilities provided by the installation of the dry hydrant connected to the pond at Rock Village, and one at the river in North Middleboro, will prove of great value in case of any serious fire in the vicinity of either.

In connection with these installations and those installed in Nevertouch Pond for additional protection for the Geo. E. Keith factory, I fully concur with ex-chief Maxim and recommended in last year's budget, in the desirability of purchasing 1000 feet of 3 inch hose. This was a part of the program as laid out in 1927 in connection with these dry hydrants, for in the case of Geo. E. Keith and North Middleboro, and possibly Rock Village, because of the distance of source of supply from where needed it would become necessary to use one pumper as a booster pump to be placed 1000 feet from either pond or river.

The value of the 3 inch hose over the 2½ inch was based on the following:

Friction loss per 100 feet in 2½ inch hose is 16.4 lbs. and on the 3 inch, 3.6 lbs.

With 3 inch hose, 85 lbs. pressure at the pump will deliver the same amount of water that it takes 200 lbs. at pump to deliver through 2½ in. hose.

With 200 lbs. pressure at pump, 1000 feet, 3 in. hose will deliver 345 gallons with a nozzle pressure of 85 lbs., while 2½ inch hose will deliver only 251 gal. per minute, and at a nozzle pressure of 45 lbs.

It is readily apparent which is the most effective for fire fighting purposes. Therefore would recommend that 3 inch hose be purchased this year.

The two platoon system, voted at the Annual Town Meeting, was put into effect October 30, with the appointing of 3 additional permanent drivers and Deputy Chief Owens as Commanding Officer.

Although at an increased cost to the taxpayer, in return they have a much more efficient department and better and quicker service, as now five men are on duty the entire



twenty-four hours, while before only two men were on duty at times.

Would recommend that immediate action be taken to more fully protect the lives and property at the Town Welfare Home. Remembering the complete loss of one building and partial loss of the present one, with the attendant possible loss of life, it is time to seriously consider the importance of better protection. The present type of equipment consisting of two 3 gallon tanks is intended only for small fires and those in incipient stages. Because of the small number and location of these and conditions at the Home, consider the protection intended for quick use inadequate for an institution like this where not only property is involved, but lives of many unable to help themselves.

The two best methods to consider are,—to install a sprinkler system or a pipe up through the building with hose permanently attached on each floor. The former is by far the best and affords greatest protection and obviously, more expensive. The latter costs much less, and with proper care and maintenance would afford protection vastly superior to that at present.

The weakest point in the department at the present time is in the use of some of the old and wornout fire alarm boxes, many dating back to 1889. It is important and advisable to institute a program whereby a few boxes should be replaced each year until the entire number of 29 boxes now obsolete and in a measure unreliable, be replaced with modern non-interfering type of box, and it was with this in view that the \$600 for the purpose was included in Equipment and Repairs, and cannot too strongly recommend and urge that this program be started this year.

The citizens of Middleboro and the Middleboro Fire Department suffered a distinct loss when Ex-Chief C. W. Maxim withdrew from the activities of the Middleboro Fire Department.

For a greater part of his life he was connected with the department, starting in with the old hose reel on Vine St.

and at the time he severed his connection with the department, had held the office of Chief for fifteen years.

He had the unusual experience of watching the transition from man power direct to motor. For years it was his ambition to see the modern department housed in modern quarters, and by his unceasing and untiring efforts and labor, his dream of years came true. Today the Central Fire Station stands as a monument, not only to his efforts and labor, but to his loyalty to the Middleboro Fire Department and his town.

By his devotion to the Department he has set a standard of loyalty to duty that is an outstanding example to be followed by each and every member of the Department and the citizens of Middleboro.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. PHILBROOK,  
Chief Middleboro Fire Department



Center Street looking west from South Main Street before wires were placed underground







## REPORT OF GAS AND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

To the Town Manager,  
Town of Middleboro.

Dear Sir:

I am submitting herewith the thirty-sixth annual report of the Gas and Electric Department for the year ending December 31, 1929.

This report includes, operation accounts, revenues, balance sheet, Profit and Loss sheet, and some statistics covering the operation of this department and in some cases made comparable with report of last year.

### GAS

The increase sales of gas amounting to \$1,884.56, was in a large measure owing to the increased use of gas for house heating as 367,000 cu. ft. of the total increase of 673,000 cu. ft. gas purchased was used for that purpose. Total gas purchased, 32, 928,900 cu. ft.

The purchase of gas has proven eminently satisfactory, there being no interruption of supply and the cost of gas in holder this year was \$.031 per m. less, although the increased amount of gas purchased cost \$539, by strict economy the total expenses of gas operating account was \$1274.82 less.

Average price per M paid Taunton Gas Co.    \$.835

Average cost per M. in holder                                \$.9062

By some it is thought this constitutes the total cost to the town. Because of the difference in amount bought and sold last year the cost per M. sold was, \$1.336, made up as follows:

Cost in holder    \$1.018

Transmission and distribution                                .036

General and miscellaneous                                        .022

Average price received per M. sold, 1.445. Average B. T. U. 542. Minimum required by State 528.

In Anticipation of East Grove St. becoming a State Road, would recommend the extension of gas main on East Grove St. from present end to river. Also, should Wareham St. be reconstructed, the extension of the present 6 inch main from Fairview St. to Wareham and Cherry Sts.

It was having this in view that the \$20,000 was recommended in budget for extensions of street mains.

Four inch cast iron mains were laid on following streets.

Fairview St.	710 feet
Etta and Forest Sts.	720 "
Maple Ave.	200 "
Lincoln St.	300 "

and 830 feet of 3 inch steel main on Prospect St.

52 new services were connected.

Many meters which were thought to be measuring less gas than was passing through were removed and replaced with new ones, which may in a measure account for the much smaller amount of gas unaccounted for last year than previous years. The unaccounted for was 11% against nearly 19% the previous year, although the greater saving was made by connecting with the new mains laid in the fall of 1927 and abandoning the old ones.

The ratio of operating expense to revenue was reduced from 99.33% in 1928 to 92.50% in 1929.

## ELECTRIC

Much of the past year has been devoted to replacing some of the lines with larger sized conductors, as it was found that by the normal growth of customers some of the lines were too small to give satisfactory service. A survey is being made of the system and voltage readings taken and this program of renewing wires where needed will be con-

tinued this year so that by the end of year with perhaps the installation of voltage regulators on the lines, a marked improvement will be noted.

Special efforts have been made to keep the lines and appliances in a condition that would least interfere with radio reception and we feel that we have done all that could be done and feel justified in saying that the greatest amount of interference does not come from so called leaky transformers, or wires, but does come from privately owned appliances in homes and other places. Nevertheless all complaints will be cheerfully attended to and efforts continued to remove all known cases of trouble caused by wires or appliances owned or controlled by the town.

The underground system has proven all it was claimed for it and not one case of trouble has occurred.

Thirty-eight new street lights have been installed.

The Telephone Company has replaced over 400 jointly used poles which means a large expense and a great deal of labor to change the wires of the plant to the new poles but when completed the lines will be in better condition to withstand storms than ever before, which also means more reliable service.

New lines have been built on Benson and Highland Streets, So. Middleboro, and on Precinct St. and Rhode Island Road in Lakeville. This in the aggregate is more than in any one other year, and the income has proven the wisdom of such extensions.

The total amount of current purchased increased 224,910 K. W. H. but the total purchased and made only increased 207,160 K. W. H. because the hydro plant produced 17,750 K. W. H. less than the year before.

The average price paid Plymouth Electric Co. was \$.0199 against \$.0224 in 1928.

Although the income increased \$11,931, the expense increased only \$7,316, so that the ratio of operating expense for year to revenue received was 70.66%. That of 1928 was 78.16%.

GEORGE A. PHILBROOK,  
Manager Gas and Electric Dept



## THE THOMAS S. PEIRCE TRUST FUNDS.

As the sole survivor of the original trustees appointed by Thomas S. Peirce in his will to administer the two trust funds created under said will, the net income of one to be paid to the Treasurer of the Middleborough Public Library, and the net income of the other to be paid to the Use and Benefit of the Town of Middleborough, and as the only person living who has "inside information", I am writing the brief history, together with some sidelights of Peter H. Peirce and his family, which I trust will prove interesting as well as instructive, in order that future generations as well as the present may know how these trusts originated.

Peter Hoar Peirce and his wife, Nabby (Sproat) Peirce, came to Middleborough in the early part of the 19th century; built his house on the lot which he bought on North Main Street, in 1814, which he afterwards remodeled, and where his large family was reared; and also built the store across the street, now occupied by the P. H. Peirce Company. With the exception that the "horse sheds", well remembered by the older people, have been converted into a store room, the store building stands today as originally built by him.

Peter H. Peirce, in his day, was the most influential man in the Town of Middleborough, very few daring to oppose him; so much so that when people were approached in regard to various matters it was customary for many to say, "I'll have to talk it over with the Colonel," which title he received during the war of 1812 as Lieutenant Colonel of the Fourth Regiment of Infantry of Plymouth County Brigade. He had many activities outside of his store. The principal one was his association with Horatio G. Wood, under the firm name of Peirce & Wood, in partnership with whom he erected a large shovel manufactory; and the excellence of their production is shown by a medal in my possession bearing the following inscription: "Awarded to Peirce .



& Wood for the best specimen of shovels, 1836" on one side and "American Institute, New York" on the other.

The general store of Peter H. Peirce was known far and wide for its fair dealings and the excellent quality of merchandise, especially "New England Rum", which played a large part in building up the fortune which he left at his death, of which I shall have more to say later.

After his decease on January 27, 1861, the store was carried on by his sons, Job C. Peirce, Thomas S. Peirce and James E. Peirce; another son, Charles F. Peirce, was in business in the West; and William R. Peirce superintended the farm.

Peter H. Peirce died without making any will and his estate was never divided among his children, except that some years after his decease the right of his son, Charles, was purchased by the other heirs. As a brother or sister died, the surviving brothers and sisters inherited his or her share of their father's estate, as well as what each had acquired from other sources.

Job was the hard headed business man, ably assisted by his brother Thomas. After the decease of Job, which occurred August 10, 1880, James and Thomas carried on the store until the death of James on July 21, 1901, leaving Thomas as the last of the family.

After the decease of Peter H. Peirce, his heirs at law sold various parcels of land, the deeds of which were signed by the various heirs until William became miffed because some proposition he desired to carry out was denied by his brothers, and from that time on he would not join in any deeds, thereby tying up a vast amount of real estate.

William delighted in being called eccentric. He, as stated before, "ran" the farm and I have often heard Thomas say that when "Bill" ran the farm, if he did not lose over two thousand dollars a year, they figured he made money. It may be interesting to know that the farm carried on by "Bill" included the land on which the High School building now stands; the cleared land in back, running to the river; the

farm on the northeast side of North Street, known as the Azel Thomas Farm; and the Barrows Farm, which included the territory now occupied by Pearl Street, from Peirce to North, Rice and Sproat Streets, and a portion of Frank Street. "Bill" had two hobbies: presenting a bell to a church which needed one; and the Middleborough Public Library, of which he was president from 1875 to 1895. He was also a director of the Old Colony Railroad Company for many years. The only person who had any influence over him was the late Everett Robinson, who was finally able to get his signature to the deed of the land occupied by the Middleborough Savings Bank.

Wood lots covered with heavy pine timber were greatly sought after by mill men, but the invariable answer of "Bill" when approached, was, "If we sell that lot where in hell are the crows going to build their nests." William died February 2, 1896, and then the complexion of affairs rapidly changed.

As a young country land surveyor, I was hired in April 1896 to run some lines and look up two wood lots. My work seemed to be appreciated by Thomas and James for one day Thomas handed me all their deeds and told me to find the lots and do what I pleased with them. At my suggestion, Pearl Street, from Peirce to North, Sproat and Rice Streets were developed at their expense, today being one of the best residential districts of the town. Later, I was entrusted with the handling of large sums of money, stocks and bonds, serving as private secretary and enjoying the full confidence of Thomas and James. My association with Thomas and James is a pleasant memory.

Both were extremely generous and each had different ways of expressing his generosity. Many times Thomas would be informed that some worthy family was in want and it made very little difference what hour of the day it was, he would immediately call some one of the clerks who worked for him and tell him to load up a barrel of flour, a few crackers, sugar, butter and various other small articles, and deliver

them to the party who was in need. Sometimes, a family in rather destitute circumstances would send to the store for a small bill of goods and Thomas would insist on delivering them himself. Many of the old residents remember how, the moment he told you how much the goods you purchased came to, he would immediately reach into his vest pockets and throw out half dollars and quarters, as change for the anticipated bill he expected you to tender him; and it was his custom when he received pay for the goods which he had carried to the needy family—as they handed him a five or ten dollar bill—to throw out of his vest pockets halves and quarters which he seemed to be unable to hold, which would fall from his hands and roll over the floor and which he never stopped to pick up. After he had departed, on picking up the money, it was usually found that the amount which he left was in excess of the bill received. Quite a few families in Middleborough were supported by Thomas and James during their lifetime, and it was a severe blow to them, as well as to those who desired to borrow money without any collateral except their note, when the brothers passed away.

The generosity of James was of a different type. He would insist on collecting the last cent that a man owed, if possible, and after the account had been settled in full he would see, in some way, that double the amount was left at the home of those who had paid him. Those who remember him well know how spruce and neat he always was, forever brushing or dusting himself and bustling around the store, with a dustcloth, thereby gaining the sobriquet of “Dandy Jim.”

Naturally, I was interested in the disposition of the large estate which Thomas and James had. James had made a will and, being ten years younger than Thomas, was naturally expected to be the last of the family of Peter H. Peirce. However, the Lord decreed otherwise, for he was found dead on July 21, 1901. This left Thomas the sole heir-at-law of the combined fortunes of his deceased brothers and sisters, excepting Charles, and a personal legacy contained in the



will of James to his widow, Maria Louise (Harlow) Peirce, which in addition to his own was no small sum. As there were no grandchildren, the sole-heir-at-law, as I supposed at the time, was an own cousin on the Peirce side, Ebenezer Weaver Peirce, of Freetown. Later, I learned there was another own cousin on the Sproat side, altho Thomas was ignorant of that fact when I drew his will. Accordingly, I urged his making his will and, after convincing him of that necessity, he told me to go ahead and draw up one.

I have drawn many wills in my lifetime, but this has been the most important one, and much to my gratification has stood the acid test. After various private bequests, he said, "What next?". I told him I thought a Public Library building would be a good thing. "Well, I suppose 'Bill' would have liked to have one, so give them \$50,000." "What about some money to run it?" I asked. "If the Town don't care enough about the building to run it, they needn't have it; but give them \$50,000. so they can buy books from the income." I suggested it might be better to include periodicals and newspapers, which he granted. I tried to get him to leave his homestead for a home for aged people or a hospital but my suggestion was greeted with, "Go right along", which was his favorite expression in dismissing a subject. "Now what are you going to do with the rest and residue?" "How much have I left?" "About half a million." "Where did it come from?" "Well, I don't know, except I know you have it." "What do you think about it?" "Well, Mr. Peirce, your father got the nucleus of his fortune by selling rum and taking mortgages on farms and lands to secure the debts, a large part of which came out of the store in jugs, and why isn't it a good idea to leave the rest and residue of your estate so that the descendants of those people, together with the others, shall have the benefit of the income?" I shall never forget how he threw back his head and laughed, and finally said,, "Chester, that's all right. Go ahead, but fix it so no town officer shall ever handle a cent of my money and fix it so that the town shall have nothing to say as to how





Center Street looking west from South Main Street after wires were placed underground, ornamental lighting installed and poles and wires removed.



it shall be spent. Can you do it?" I told him it should be left in the hands of three trustees who should perpetuate themselves and should have the say of how the money should be spent. This was agreeable and consequently the clauses under which the trustees operate came into being, so that "the net income of the fund held in trust for the Town of Middleborough shall be paid semi-annually or oftener in the discretion of said Trustees, to the use and benefit of the Town of Middleborough in such manner as said Trustees or their successors shall determine."

The selection of the Trustees was a hard matter. Naturally, I was chosen first. George W. Stetson was decided on very quickly and then I hit a snag. I named about every prominent business man at that time and received the invariable reply, "Go right along." I went home and passed a sleepless night, as I realized he was growing weaker all the time and the selection must be made while his mind was clear. Next morning, I was at his home bright and early. He asked me whom I had thought of. I only had three names left and after he rejected the first two I named George R. Sampson. "Well, let's see, his father was Richard Sampson, his mother was George Wood's daughter, her mother was a Thompson; comes of pretty good stock, put him on. If he had declined Mr. Sampson, I doubt if I should have been able to pick anyone to satisfy him.

His will was signed and witnessed by Amos B. Paun, Albert A. Thomas and Edgar D. Wood on the evening of August 5, 1901, the evening the first car of the Middleborough, Wareham and Buzzards Bay Street Railway ran from the Four Corners to the Rock and back. He failed rapidly and passed away September 16, 1901. Many conjectures had been made about the disposition of the estate but I think the day I filed this will for Probate and it became public will come down in the annals of Middleborough history as the most exciting day the town ever had. Steps were immediately taken to break the will, until the would-be



breakers learned that if it were broken the whole estate would go to two first cousins above referred to. Accordingly, Judge B. W. Harris allowed the will on October 14, 1901. That portion of the will relating to the foresaid trust funds and their administration follows:

“I give and bequeath to the Town of Middleborough the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the purpose of erecting a Public Library building in said Town. Said building to be erected within two years from the date of my decease by the Trustees of the Public Library of said Town, who are hereby constituted a committee for that purpose, and my Executor is hereby directed to pay over the said sum to their order as required.

After the payment of the foregoing legacies and bequests, I give and bequeath to Chester E. Weston, George W. Stetson and George R. Sampson all of said Middleborough, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) as a special trust fund forever, the net income whereof shall be paid semi-annually or oftener, to the treasurer of the Public Library of the Town of Middleborough, to be by him applied to the purchase of books, periodicals or newspapers for said Library.

After the payment of all the before mentioned legacies and bequests, I hereby give, bequeath and devise all the rest and residue of my property and estate whatsoever, whether real, personal or mixed which I shall own or be entitled to in any way at the time of my decease, to Chester E. Weston, George W. Stetson and George R. Sampson, all of said Middleborough, but in trust nevertheless for the following purposes and uses, viz:—To be held as a special trust fund forever, the net income whereof, to be paid semi-annually or oftener in the discretion of said Trustees, to the use and benefit of the Town of Middleborough, in such manner as said Trustees



or their successors shall determine.

The Trustees, above-named and their successors shall receive as full compensation for their services as Trustees, both of the Public Library fund and the residuary fund, a sum not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500), per annum, for the three, and in case of the death or resignation or either of said Trustees, the survivor or survivors shall thereupon nominate a successor or successors, who shall immediately upon their appointment by the Probate Court, become vested with all the rights and powers, which the original Trustees exercise under this instrument including the right to nominate a successor or successors in the case of death or resignation of the other member or members of the board, so that both said funds may be perpetually administered by a board of three Trustees, which shall be continued in the manner aforesaid.

I hereby request that the three Trustees above named be exempt from furnishing any surety or sureties on their official bonds as Trustees under this instrument."

"I hereby authorize the Trustees herein named and their successors in said office in the administration of the trust confided to them to sell and convey without leave of Court being first obtained, such portion or portions as they see fit of my real estate and personal estate or such real and personal estate as shall come into their control under this instrument, and no purchaser or purchasers shall be held responsible for the application of the purchase money, and I hereby authorize my said Trustees and their successors to execute, acknowledge and deliver all deeds and other instruments necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this paragraph."

With the intimate knowledge I had of the estate, I was able to save many thousands of dollars and felt I was

entitled to a fee of \$50,000. which was a very small fee for the amount involved. The Honorable Board of Selectmen at that time being very conservative, decided my fee was too large and, feeling that Dame Rumor was persistent that I had appropriated a good portion of the estate caused an expensive audit to be made (which seems to be thought well of in some quarters at the present time), with the result that my figures were in no way changed and the auditor received severe censure from the Judge of Probate for some of his criticisms. The Acting Judge of Probate, Freeman T. Lathrop, of Barnstable County, who presided at the hearings, seemed to feel that my fee was too large and, accordingly, ordered me to pay back the sum of \$27,842.74. I drew my check for that amount, which was credited to the estate by the Trustees on February 9, 1907.

For a few months after the funds became operative there was more or less jealousy on the part of town officers and other individuals who could not handle the money, but for many years harmony has existed between the Trustees and the various boards of the town. While the town is indebted to me for these funds, I have never felt very much elation over that fact, as I consider it the duty of every citizen to use his influence and endeavors to promote the welfare and happiness of his neighbors and the interests of the town in which he lives. In all the years I have handled and assisted in handling this property, with all the unpleasant features which have cropped out from time to time, only one blot remains in my memory. After having been instrumental in securing the funds with which our handsome library building was erected, in company with George W. Stetson and George R. Sampson, no invitation was received by any of us to its dedication. I trust it was an oversight on the part of those who had charge.

Have the funds been a help or a detriment to the town? Have they been appreciated by the thinking people of the town? The answer to the first question I submit to you in the detailed statement of what has been expended for the





Center Street looking East from School Street before Wires were placed underground.





use and benefit of the Town of Middleborough in the twenty-eight years, as well as the amount paid to the Treasurer of the Middleborough Public Library during that time. The answer to the second question will be determined by the sentiment of the people who read this article, as well as the personal words of appreciation of those who have passed on, which I received during their lifetimes.

(Statements)

Paid to the Treasurer of the Middleborough Public Library 1902-1929 inclusive	\$53,691.54
Paid to the Use and Benefit of the Town of Middleborough 1902-1929 inclusive	436,202.79
Divided as follows:	
Streets and General highway work	\$153,809.30
Bridges	45,313.94
Sidewalks	5,713.86
Sewers	1,491.43
Buildings and gas plant	127,649.64
Schools and instruction	59,031.08
Dams and water privileges	3,074.54
Town History	4,062.48
Paid Town for Tax Reduction	35,200.52
Miscellaneous	856.00
	\$436,202.79

Some of the items making up the above amounts are as follows:

STREETS

Centre	\$12,024.52
Everett	10,715.41
Frank	1,545.00
South Main	11,636.52
Wareham (Barden Hill)	5,000.00
Carmel	2,573.30
East Main	6,577.79

Plympton	14,877 .29
Cushman, Miller & Smith	10,461 .00
East Grove & Wood	2,585 .47
Marion	2,000 .00
Spruce	3,864 .20
Wareham (So. Middleborough)	2,624 .99
Plymouth (No. Middleborough)	11,284 .90
Taunton	11,336 .72
General Highway	44,702 .19
	<hr/> \$153,809 .30

## BRIDGES

Alms Street	\$220 .87
East Main Street	13,839 .08
North Middleborough	23,930 .74
Nemasket Street, under-crossing	2,205 .39
Wareham Street	1,690 .85
Maintenance	3,427 .01
	<hr/> \$45,313 .94

## BUILDINGS &amp; GAS PLANT

Town House	\$3,438 .54
Fire Station	57,048 .21
Middleborough Home	12,013 .83
West Side Portable School	8,857 .66
Old High School	5,648 .91
New High School	7,932 .20
Union Street School	3,281 .00
Library	4,300 .00
Gas Plant & Street Mains	25,129 .29
	<hr/> \$127,649 .64

## SCHOOLS &amp; INSTRUCTION

Account Commercial Course	52,399 .38
Salaries, Assistant Teachers	6,100 .00
Miscellaneous school account	531 .70
	<hr/> \$59,031 .08

I cannot close this article without expressing my sincere appreciation of the cooperation and assistance of my co-trustees, during my term of service. While I did not insert in the will the ideas Thomas gave me in regard to what his money should be spent for, in addition to his request that no town officer should ever handle a cent of his money and that they should have nothing to say as to how it should be spent, he did say, "I should like to have it used as gingerbread", meaning by that for something that the town might not see its way clear to raise by direct appropriation. Considerable pressure was brought to bear upon the Trustees by large tax payers of the town who desired to have the Trustees assume the payment of bonds or notes when they become due, thereby reducing the amount to be raised by taxes, as well as reducing the tax rate. You will note from the figures above that we did on several occasions pay the Town indebtedness or agreed to furnish money for certain departments which would otherwise have had to be raised by taxes. It would be interesting, if time and space permitted, to have the figures of how much the tax rate was reduced by these various payments and agreements.

As Trustees, we worked together very harmoniously, and I think the greatest disappointment we had was when, after offering the lot on Peirce Street next to the present Library Lot and offering to build a High School on the same to cost approximately \$50,000, this was turned down by voters of the town. Had this building been erected at that time, it was our intention—after that was paid for—to erect a brick building on Union Street where the present Union Street building stands and so relieve to some extent the congestion which seemed to be promised at that time. The turning down of that proposition has cost us many thousand dollars.

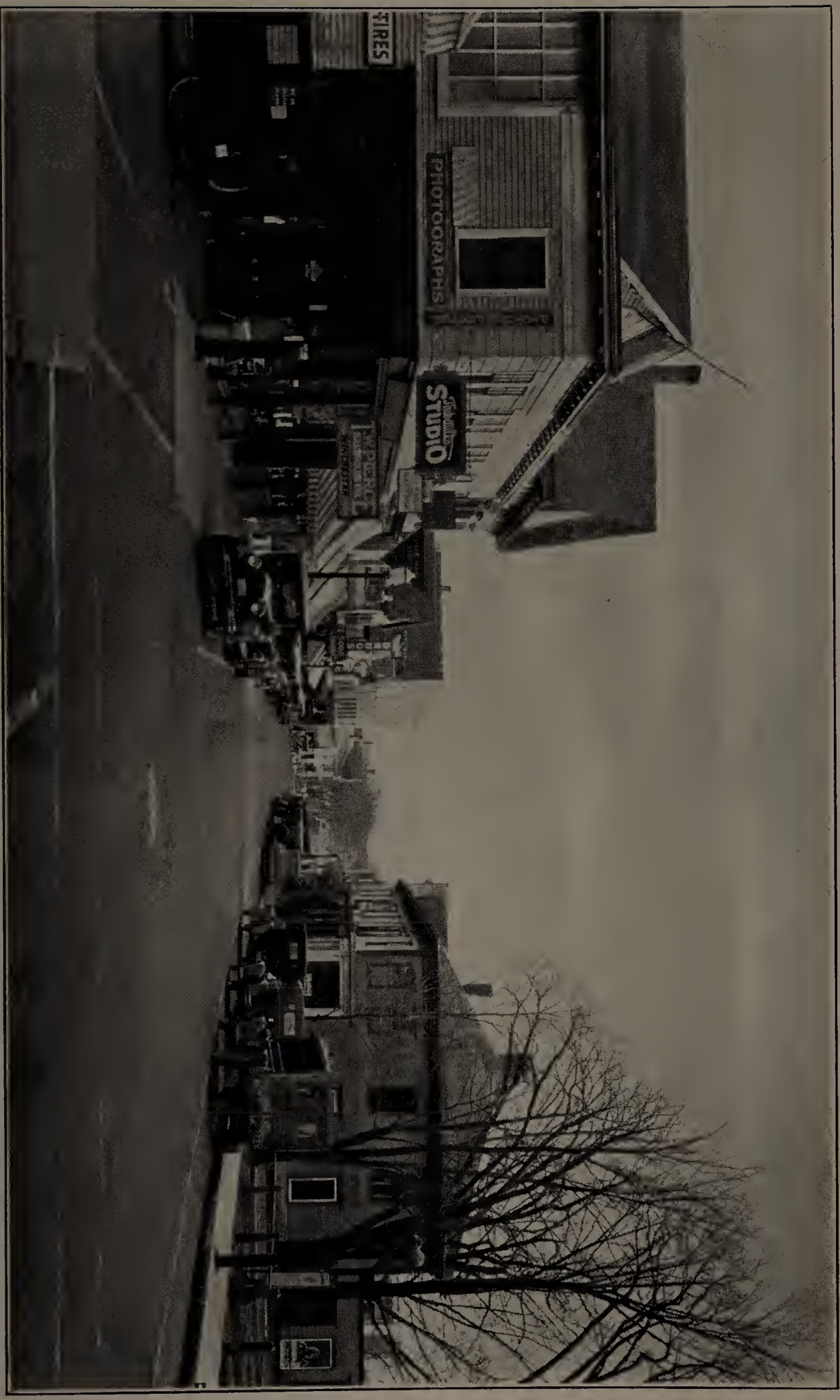
As you will notice by the figures given above, many things have been furnished the town and paid for, which the town might not have had otherwise and, also, which have taken from the tax payers of the town the burden of the same.

On the death of George R. Sampson, which occurred on April 4, 1924, it became necessary for George W. Stetson and myself to nominate a successor, in accordance with the terms of the will. Accordingly, on July 12, 1925, Arthur D. Benson was appointed by the Probate Court. Due to the death of George W. Stetson, who passed away on June 1st, 1926, Mr. Benson and myself were called upon to nominate a co-trustee; and on April 24, 1927 Frederick S. Weston was appointed by said Court.

The accounts of the Trustees have been audited from the time the trust came into being, the last audit being May 8, 1929. The first few years this was done by an auditor elected by the Town, and in recent years by auditors from the State of Massachusetts. The Trustees' Probate accounts have also been allowed by the Probate Court for the County of Plymouth, under whose jurisdiction they come.

CHESTER E. WESTON.





Center Street looking east from School Street after wires were placed underground, ornamental lighting installed and poles and wires removed.



## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES UNDER THE WILL OF THOMAS S. PEIRCE

Selectmen of Middleborough, Mass.  
Gentlemen:

We beg leave to submit the following report as Trustees under the will of Thomas S. Peirce, for the year 1929.

The following statement shows the condition of the funds held by us as Trustees under the will of Thomas S. Peirce for the use and benefit of the Town of Middleborough and of the Middleborough Public Library, at the close of business on December 31, 1929.

Fund held in trust for the benefit of the Town of Middleborough.

### ASSETS

Stocks	\$298,511.98	
Bonds & premiums on same	10,739.62	
Mortgages & Notes	191,701.58	
Real Estate carried as personal	41,809.67	
Post Office Fixtures	1,200.00	
Cabinet at Library	240.00	
Office Equipment	857.50	
Savings Bank—Worcester	1,000.00	
Cash on hand	1,081.90	
Real Estate	42,952.87	
Profit & Loss	2,124.80	\$592,219.92

### LIABILITIES

Trust Fund received from Executor	\$472,506.03	
Passing Direct under the Will	119,713.89	\$592,219.92

### INCOME

Gross Receipts Credited for 1929	\$31,422.47	\$31,422.47
Income Brought Forward		\$31,422.47

## EXPENSES

Salaries, Trustees and Bookkeeper	\$2,866 .56	
Insurance	2,573 .65	
Repairs	2,785 .22	
Janitor G. W. Bump	1,075 .00	
S. C. Smith	481 .50	1,556 .50
Fuel		1,450 .49
Light		429 .56
Water		312 .56
Sundries		289 .74
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Net income for 1929		\$12,264 .28
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Net income for 1929		\$19,158 .19
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1929, as per prior report	2,847 .58	
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		\$22,005 .77

PAID FOR USE AND BENEFIT OF THE  
TOWN

Work bench and cabinet at Bates		
School	\$30 .00	
Interest on Bridge Loan paid April 1	240 .00	
Account Fire Station	10,000 .00	
Interest on note	600 .00	
Note account bridge	3,000 .00	
Interest on same	240 .00	
Balance High School Lot	2,500 .00	
Acct. Survey Map of Playground, labor	43 .50	
Acct. new Heating System Middle-		
boro Home	721 .66	
Typewriters High School	222 .50	
Account Welfare Department	161 .00	
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		\$17,758 .66
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Balance on hand January 1, 1930		\$4,247 .11



# FUND HELD IN TRUST FOR MIDDLEBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

## ASSETS

Bonds and premiums on same	\$37,664.15	
Collateral Note	5,000.00	
Savings Bank	7,567.53	
	<hr/>	\$50,231.68

## LIABILITIES

Devised under the will	\$50,000.00	
Profit and Loss	231.68	
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Income for 1929		\$2,051.94
Paid Treasurer of Middleborough Public Library		\$2,051.94

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER E. WESTON,  
ARTHUR D. BENSON,  
FREDERICK S. WESTON.

Trustees under the will of

Thomas S. Peirce.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The need of aid from this Department continues to be about the same as last year, and will not decrease materially until business conditions improve. The total number aided was 465 people. Fifty more than last year. Many of these cases were only for a short period and the net cost was less. An analysis of cases aided for six months or more shows an average cost of less than \$150. per person. Cases aided from one week to six months cover 310 people with an average of \$17.89 per person. At the present time there are four families of 15 people aided who have settlement in other towns. Nine families of 42 people who have a State settlement, and twenty families of 52 people who have a Middleboro settlement. The total number changes almost every week as old cases are dropped and new cases added.

There are ten Mothers Aid cases caring for 55 people. We added four new cases during the year and closed four cases. The average cost per person was \$163.20 of which amount  $\frac{1}{3}$  or \$54.40 is refunded by the State.

At the Town Home we have 22 inmates compared with 17 a year ago. Three are boarders. During the year the average has been 20 with a total of 30. Last year the average was  $17\frac{1}{3}$  with a total of 25. Only two or three of these people are able to do any work. Some of them are confined to their beds while others are unable to go down stairs for their meals. This makes extra labor necessary.

The expense at the farm were \$1330. less than last year and the receipts were \$1170. less. Due mostly to a smaller number of boarders. The cost per inmate this year figured by the State Auditor's rule (excluding board) was \$9.11 compared with \$12.15 last year. This result comes from the larger number of inmates. If we use all receipts from the farm including board the per capita cost figures \$7.37. These figures are approximately what we have been striving to reach for several years.

This fall we found the furnace had broken and could not be used. The Peirce Trustees bought and installed a new and larger furnace, to insure ample heat without forcing, thereby tending to save coal. The cost was over \$1400. and we wish to express our appreciation to the Pierce Trustees for their help.

During the coming year there are several repair items that must be met and considerable painting to be done. These items will increase the farm expense at least \$1000. but it does not pay to let our buildings depreciate.

In the comparative financial statement which follows, we have shown the various ways in which the money is spent. In past years the opinion has prevailed that only cash aid was given. That was wrong and this statement shows that where possible aid was given in other ways. Cash payments made last year were \$8341. of which \$3431. were by order of the State agent in charge of cases having State settlement.

Under the heading of bills receivable there is another item to call to your attention. You may think that \$13345. is large. An analysis of the account will show you that \$11176. of this amount is due from the State. Bills were sent them July 1st. for the preceding twelve months as they require. Those bills have not yet been paid, and bills covering the last six months make up the total. The State will pay, but their delay makes us show an unsatisfactory statement.

Last spring the Selectmen appointed Lelah M. Hathaway in place of Adelaide K. Thatcher as a member of this Board. Mrs. Thatcher served this Board faithfully for six years and we feel that an expression of appreciation is due her. She was always on hand, did her work carefully and well and in the absence of other members of the Board took charge of the full work without complaint and without receiving any extra compensation therefor. Such service should receive recognition, and we want the people of Middleboro to know what she did while a member of this Board.

We have received many gifts of clothing and shoes during the year. These are always acceptable, and are placed where they will do the most good. We wish to thank all who have contributed and also all individuals and societies who have assisted in this work, thereby saving the town materially.

WILLIAM G. BOYNTON  
LELAH M. HATHAWAY  
LESLIE N. CLARK



FINANCIAL STATEMENT. BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries Board	1928	1929		
Physician	\$617.50	\$575.00		
Office Expense	200.00	200.00		
	69.19	239.47		
Total Management			\$886.69	\$1,014.47
Outside Aid				
Groceries	\$3,647.42	\$3,405.91		
Fuel	1,595.93	1,250.85		
Board	1,051.60	1,843.50		
Medicine etc.	1,411.91	629.97		
Clothing	357.42	319.34		
Rent	962.78	720.25		
Cash	11,364.99	8,341.75		
All other	1,264.20	1,286.49		
Cities and Towns	565.07	1,100.18		
State	705.70	896.28		
Total Outside Aid			\$22,927.02	\$19,794.52
Mothers Aid				
Town	\$7,459.50	\$9,465.92		
Other Towns	47.00	245.67		
Total Mothers Aid			\$7,506.50	\$9,712.59
Farm				
Salaries	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00		
Labor	2,398.69	2,606.20		
Groceries	3,129.20	3,109.54		
Clothing	202.64	303.19		
Repairs	242.94	1,128.98		
House	1,244.08			
Farm	3,601.85			

Auto and Teams  
 All Other  
 Grain  
 Fuel light  
 Total Farm  
 Total Expense of Department  
 Less receipts  
 Net cost of Department

1,724.98  
 1,025.55

\$14,769.93

\$46,090.14  
 13,170.45  
 \$32,919.69

Receipts

1928  
 \$1,799.64  
 1,263.73  
 2,931.05  
 550.05  
 399.75  
 2,592.93  
 1,905.42  
 1,727.88  
 \$13,170.45

1929  
 \$1,064.50  
 2,078.29  
 1,808.16  
 421.34  
 234.08  
 2,772.60  
 2,729.08  
 2,497.21  
 \$13,605.26

Bills Receivable

1928  
 \$476.81  
 250.00  
 92.00  
 1,179.12  
 4,503.00  
 3,771.56  
 \$10,272.49

1929  
 \$564.02  
 261.07  
 618.42  
 726.17  
 6,642.63  
 4,533.40  
 \$13,345.71

## REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Town Appropriation	\$438,874 .15	
State Assessments		
State Tax	11,815 .00	
State Highway Tax	6,471 .40	
State Auditing Tax	2,035 .63	
Municipal Light Tax	86 .47	
Snow Removal Tax	276 .16	
County Assessments		
County Tax	20,126 .00	
Overlay	2,685 .09	
	<hr/>	\$482,369 .90
	\$482,369 .90	

## ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Income Tax	\$41,520 .00
Corporation Tax	9,995 .55
Bank Tax	2,079 .68
Licenses	1,080 .25
Fines	1,346 .25
Special Assessments	1,980 .70
General Government	1,066 .18
Protection of Persons & Property	2,531 .63
Health & Sanitation	1,936 .36
Highways	5,068 .46
Charities	13,170 .45
Soldiers' Benefits	620 .00
Schools	9,823 .27
Libraries incl. Dog Licenses	2,774 .98
Unclassified	111 .50
Interest on Deposit	4,844 .16
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	3,628 .40
Soldiers' Exemption	289 .76
Reimbursement	73 .65

Herring	130 .00	
Water Department	22,293 .58	
Municipal Indebtedness	13,000 .00	
Auto Excise	17,000 .00	
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Total Estimated Receipts	\$156,364 .81	\$156,364 .81
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Net Amount Raised by Taxation on Polls and Property		\$326,005 .09
Number of Polls, 2641 at \$2.00 each		\$5,282 .00
Total Valuation 9111450 Tax Rate \$35.20		\$320,723 .09
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		\$326,005 .09
Moth Tax		172 .09
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Total Amount of all taxes listed in the Collector's commitment list.		\$326,177 .18
Value of Buildings, excluding land	\$5,502,990 .00	
Value of Land, excluding buildings	2,728,550 .00	
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Total Value of Real Estate	\$8,331,540 .00	\$8,331,540 .00
Value of assessed Machinery	187,075 .00	
Value of assessed Stock in Trade	232,510 .00	
Value of All Other Ratable Property	360,325 .00	
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Total Value of Personal Estate	\$779,910 .00	\$779,910 .00
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Total Valuation of Real and Personal Estate		\$9,111,450 .00
Tax on Personal Estate	\$27,452 .86	
Tax on Real Estate	293,270 .23	
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Total Tax on Personal and Real Estate	\$320,723 .09
Property Exempt from Taxation	
Property of the Commonwealth	\$29,600 .00
Property of literary, benev- olent and Charitable In- stitutions	137,450 .00
Churches	378,470 .00
Cemeteries	38,075 .00
Schools	398,705 .00
Peirce Trustees	63,015 .00
All Other Town Property	1,034,507 .00
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Total Value of Exempt Property	\$2,079,822 .00
December Assessment	
Value of Real Estate	\$6,685 .00
Value of Personal Estate	6,650 .00
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Total Valuation	\$13,335 .00
Tax on property	\$469 .39
31 Polls @ \$2.00 each	62 .00
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Total Commitment on Pro- perty and Polls	\$531 .39
Total Value of All Personal Property on January 1, 1930	\$786,560 .00
Total Value of All Real Estate on January 1, 1930	8,338,225 .00
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Total Valuation on January 1, 1930	\$9,124,785 .00
Total Amount of taxes listed in the Collector's Commitment list, including moth tax, on August 2, 1929	\$326,177 .18
Total Commitment December 13, 1929	531 .39
Total automobile excise tax committed	23,741 .03
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Total amount of All Taxes Committed	\$350,449 .60

## Persons, Partnerships and Corporations

assessed on property	2,646
Number of horses assessed	241
Number of cows assessed	853
Number of swine assessed	10
Number of sheep assessed	1
Number of neat cattle assessed	121
Number of fowl assessed	16,000
Number of dwelling houses assessed	2,103
Number of acres assessed	39,071

Taxes abated in 1929 have been as follows:

Amount 1926 Assessment	\$114.57
Amount 1927 Assessment	394.39
Amount 1928 Assessment	2,219.41
Amount 1929 Assessment	2,278.48

## Auto Excise Tax

Total number motor vehicles assessed	3070
Total Valuation	800,655
Total Excise on cars	\$23,741.03
Total number cars granted abatement	310
Abatement granted on above cars	\$1,719.90

BENJAMIN C. SHAW  
 WILLIAM G. BOYNTON  
 HARRISON F. SHURTLEFF

Assessors of Middleborough

MIDDLEBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY  
REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR 1929  
PEIRCE FUND RECEIPTS

Peirce trustees	\$2,051 .94	
Interest on deposits	9 .82	
		\$2,061 .76
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1929		1,240 .91
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		\$3,302 .67

PEIRCE FUND PAYMENTS

J. Q. Adams Co.	\$74 .51
American Library Assoc.	29 .40
Baker & Taylor Co.	18 .81
F. J. Barnard	113 .65
Bookshop for Boys and Girls	119 .62
R. R. Bowker	2 .08
Charles W. Clark	22 .24
Capt. H. T. Clark	15 .50
John Day	1 .95
Dodd Mead	10 .74
E. P. Dutton	33 .40
Ginn & Co.	18 .51
Grainger's Book Shop	209 .66
C. A. Hathaway & Co.	210 .75
Hertzberg Bindery	64 .79
Houghton Mifflin Co.	7 .50
H. R. Huntting	145 .80
Charles E. Lauriat	239 .47

Lewis Historical Society	37.50	
Library Book House	458.04	
Library of Congress	35.00	
National Home School	43.50	
New York Times	15.00	
F. A. Owen Publishing Co.	8.91	
L. C. Page	40.73	
Personal Book Shop	228.55	
Rand McNalley	23.21	
Charles Scribner's Sons	43.00	
States History Co.	8.55	
J. J. Sullivan	54.00	
Union Library Assoc.	11.43	
Albert Whitman	27.00	
H. W. Wilson	79.25	
Arthur Womrath	31.42	
Miscellaneous	127.30	
	<hr/>	\$2,610.77
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1930		691.90
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		\$3,302.67

## SPECIAL FUNDS RECEIPTS

Sale of books	\$20.96	
Error check No. 1685	.35	
Interest Copeland Fund	185.00	
Interest " "		
Middleboro Trust Co. Savings Dept.	7.79	
Interest H. O. Peirce Fund	25.30	
" H. C. Beals "	50.62	\$290.02
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1929		27.96
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		\$317.98



## SPECIAL FUNDS PAYMENTS

American Library Assoc.	\$12.90	
Baker & Taylor Co.	8.62	
John Day	1.90	
Grainger's Book Shop	4.17	
Charles E. Lauriat	6.96	
Library Book House	21.24	
Macmillan Co.	6.87	
Middleboro Trust Co.	5.00	
Miscellaneous	71.65	\$139.31
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1930		\$178.67
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		\$317.98

ALLAN R. THATCHER,  
Treasurer Middleboro Public Library

## CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Central and Nemasket Cemetery		
Joseph & Nathaniel Leonard	\$400 .00	\$607 .64
Central and So. Middleborough		
Matthew H. Cushing	400 .00	537 .22
Central and No. Middleborough		
Everett Robinson	300 .00	650 .62
Rock and Ewer		
Tinkham and Gibbs	50 .00	51 .04
Rock and Hill		
Vaughn and Thomas	50 .00	51 .04
Central Cemetery		
Warner Alden Lot	\$100 .00	\$105 .27
Obed Allen	75 .00	77 .81
Harding C. Angus	100 .00	106 .27
John Barden	100 .00	106 .64
Sylvanus Barrows	135 .00	152 .12
Sarah E. Bartlett	100 .00	114 .13
T. H. & H. A. Besse	100 .00	109 .42
Andrew J. Bisbee	100 .00	106 .97
Samuel S. Bourne	100 .00	120 .73
Rufus J. Brett	100 .00	106 .23
C. C. Briggs	50 .00	52 .54
Edward C. Bryant	200 .00	219 .88
Frederick O. Burgess	71 .26	64 .42
A. P. Caswell	100 .00	104 .64
A. W. & L. W. F. Caswell	100 .00	106 .84
C. W. Clark	100 .00	107 .96
M. Alice Clark	100 .00	100 .00
J. W. Cobb	100 .00	112 .21
Andrew Cole	100 .00	111 .70
Charles Cole	20 .00	21 .02

James Cole	100.00	105.39
Robert V. Cole	82.14	88.05
Rev. H. C. Coombs	100.00	106.36
Richard Cox	75.00	77.84
Richard Cox	25.00	27.57
William E. Crosby	100.00	108.52
Edward H. Cromwell	100.00	106.46
Josiah C. Cushing	200.00	238.55
Lydia B. Cushing	50.00	52.57
William F. Dean	100.00	106.13
Edwain B. Dorrance	150.00	172.27
Mr. & Mrs. Jas. Dowsing	51.61	54.93
Mary E. Drake	100.00	113.67
Hannah S. Drew	100.00	110.65
Arlon R. Dustin	50.00	52.46
Andrew M. Eaton	100.00	106.15
Ziba Eaton	100.00	111.68
Rose Egger Fred Southwick	100.00	112.82
Axel Fagerberg	100.00	111.69
Rev. Geo. C. Fairbanks	100.00	106.33
David H. Farrar	100.00	109.78
N. N. Fenno	100.00	112.36
Albert F. Finney	100.00	105.95
Charles Forsberg	100.00	104.19
William J. Francis	100.00	106.35
S. B. Gibbs	100.00	105.92
Lizzie Gibbs	50.00	53.70
Gilmore Lot	100.00	111.19
John B. Griffith	100.00	112.20
William M. Haskins	100.00	124.15
Simeon Hathaway	100.00	107.23
George H. Herman	100.00	107.95
Henry M. Hodges	100.00	111.07
R. B. Holmes	100.00	114.06
Jacob Johnson	75.00	78.67
B. F. Jones	100.00	105.25
Sarah P. Jones	100.00	105.34

Annie M. Keedwel	100 .00	107 .29
George H. Keene	100 .00	106 .95
Henry C. Keith	100 .00	108 .26
Clara S. Kelley	100 .00	114 .18
Eliza H. Kelley	100 .00	115 .28
William A. King	100 .00	106 .40
E. F. King	200 .00	203 .33
Calvin D. Kingman	100 .00	107 .70
John B. Knowland	100 .00	110 .32
Robert W. Lashures	100 .00	110 .07
Otis Leach	100 .00	109 .54
Mrs. Lehman	60 .00	63 .27
James Allen Leonard	150 .00	161 .02
Lewis Lincoln	200 .00	247 .04
James Livingston	100 .00	107 .28
G. E. H. Lovell	100 .00	109 .35
Thomas J. Lovell	100 .00	109 .49
Mary A. MacDaniel	100 .00	114 .40
B. S. MacLaughlin	100 .00	105 .95
A. C. MacManus	100 .00	104 .72
J. N. Main	100 .00	107 .47
J. P. McCully	100 .00	105 .68
John R. Merrick	50 .00	52 .46
C. S. Metcalf	100 .00	109 .24
Alden Miller	100 .00	110 .77
Albert F. Mitchell	100 .00	105 .95
Ebenezer Nelson	75 .00	79 .30
Susan Millerd	100 .00	102 .50
S. L. Nickerson	100 .00	106 .62
Susan R. Noreville	100 .00	107 .83
E. S. Ober	100 .00	110 .85
S. P. Osborne	100 .00	108 .92
Willard Osborne	100 .00	107 .12
A. J. Partridge	100 .00	105 .95
Alvin Pease	100 .00	109 .49
Joseph L. Pease	100 .00	111 .36
Job Peirce	100 .00	105 .95



Arad Perkins	100 .00	105 .95
David D. Perkins	75 .00	79 .50
Josephine Perkins	200 .00	252 .19
Florence Perkins	50 .00	52 .52
Esther A. Phinney	100 .00	139 .05
Andrew J. Pickins	100 .00	106 .80
Ebenezer Pickins	100 .00	109 .47
Lizzie P. Pierce	100 .00	110 .07
T. W. Pierce	100 .00	106 .71
C. Allen Porter	100 .00	116 .52
A. H. Pratt	100 .00	105 .05
J. B. Ramsdell	50 .00	52 .46
Alfred Randall	100 .00	111 .43
Aaron Raymond	100 .00	111 .11
Lucy A. Raymond	100 .00	107 .12
Mary A. Raymond	100 .00	109 .95
S. W. Reed	100 .00	108 .17
Mary F. Raymond	100 .00	100 .00
G. W. Rich	100 .00	106 .86
John D. Rockwell	50 .00	52 .46
Harriett H. Rogers	100 .00	105 .82
Amanda S. Rossiter	100 .00	108 .85
Albert A. Savory	100 .00	103 .92
Louis Seymore	100 .00	107 .23
Albert Shaw	100 .00	110 .35
Jairus H. Shaw	50 .00	52 .73
William Nelson Shaw	100 .00	105 .47
J. H. Sherman	100 .00	107 .02
Joshua Sherman	100 .00	105 .95
Ephraim Simmons	150 .00	160 .85
George F. Sisson	50 .00	52 .43
George Soule	100 .00	104 .95
A. L. Southworth	100 .00	110 .85
Hartley A. Sparrow	45 .00	47 .13
Jacob G. Sparrow	100 .00	111 .90
Louise Spooner	100 .00	112 .16

Henry E. Standish	100 .00	109 .35
Charles Stansell	100 .00	105 .47
George H. Smith	100 .00	103 .33
Charles L. Starkey	100 .00	104 .95
Edwin F. H. Stevens	100 .00	109 .22
Sweet & Hartwell	100 .00	100 .83
Isaiah S. Swift	100 .00	106 .22
William Swift	100 .00	105 .95
H. S. Sylvester	100 .00	134 .89
Reuben T. Taylor	100 .00	115 .89
Charles M. Thatcher	100 .00	110 .40
Abraham Thomas	100 .00	106 .36
L. S. Thomas	100 .00	100 .00
Eliphalet Thomas	50 .00	52 .73
Lydia N. Thomas	100 .00	108 .11
Allerton Thompson	100 .00	115 .77
Ira Thompson	100 .00	102 .50
Jason F. Thurston	50 .00	52 .83
Charles A. Tinkham	100 .00	104 .95
Margaret J. Tinkham	100 .00	109 .24
B. F. Tripp	100 .00	111 .62
John Walley	50 .00	52 .83
Ward Lot No. 110	100 .00	112 .31
Azel Washburn	100 .00	126 .67
William Washburn	50 .00	52 .73
Flora A. Weston	50 .00	52 .73
Alvin White	150 .00	157 .57
Chauncy D. White	100 .00	110 .80
Sarah D. White	500 .00	881 .18
Clara F. Willis	100 .00	109 .85
Henrietta Wilmont	100 .00	105 .14
Ida Woodward	100 .00	109 .11
Nemasket Hill Cemetery		
Francis H. Aller	100 .00	114 .27
Henry J. Arnold	50 .00	52 .89
Francis C. Belcher	200 .00	222 .80

Boomer lot	100 .00	114 .90
Edward Bryant	100 .00	113 .35
Isaac D. Bump	100 .00	107 .86
Elijah Burgess	100 .00	114 .58
Eleazer Caswell	100 .00	106 .58
Catherine P. Chase	100 .00	119 .61
W. D. Cornish	200 .00	216 .21
Cordelia Crocker	100 .00	105 .95
Jerusha B. Dean	50 .00	53 .71
Drake & James	200 .00	244 .74
Azel Eaton	100 .00	110 .05
Joshua M. Eddy	100 .00	156 .23
Austin Ford	50 .00	53 .59
Fred M. Foye	50 .00	50 .83
Laura T. Fuller	200 .00	211 .42
William W. Goss	100 .00	116 .85
Charles E. W. Grinnell	100 .00	118 .89
Geogre A. Harlow	100 .00	112 .07
James Harlow	100 .00	111 .77
E. S. Hathaway	200 .00	237 .12
Conrad J. Hermann	100 .00	113 .35
Alvin C. Howes	100 .00	119 .47
Joseph B. Kettle	100 .00	114 .43
Charles Leonard	200 .00	250 .28
Samuel S. Lovell	150 .00	176 .01
Mary MacKenzie	140 .00	153 .98
Carlton W. Maxim	100 .00	111 .11
Walter Orcutt	100 .00	107 .23
Deborah A. Paun	100 .00	116 .25
Henry F. Pope	100 .00	144 .80
S. Lewis Pratt	100 .00	121 .74
Arthur I. Randall	300 .00	383 .95
Sophronia L. Reed	50 .00	53 .84
Louis Ritter	75 .00	82 .81
J. Martin Robbins	50 .00	52 .76
Rhoda J. Savery	100 .00	156 .18
John Shaw	150 .00	174 .43

William Shiverick	200 .00	229 .64
H. W. Shurtleff	150 .00	166 .34
Warren H. Southworth	75 .00	89 .50
George W. Stetson	100 .00	108 .10
Charles Soule	100 .00	154 .18
John C. Sullivan	100 .00	106 .20
Benj. O. Tillson	50 .00	54 .22
Edmund Thompson	50 .00	52 .68
Oliver H. Thompson	100 .00	150 .98
Franklin S. Thompson	100 .00	109 .13
T. S. Theobald	50 .00	53 .54
Benj. C. Tinkham	50 .00	57 .02
E. F. Tinkham	200 .00	274 .98
Ira .C Tinkham	100 .00	107 .46
N. M. Tinkham	100 .00	105 .18
Agnes Tribou	100 .00	118 .20
Josiah C. Tribou	100 .00	107 .40
Nahum W. Tribou	75 .00	82 .32
Nathan H. Vaughn	100 .00	115 .42
Nancy Warner	100 .00	117 .22
Hannah C. Warren	50 .00	53 .51
Warren Lot No. 1	50 .00	52 .92
C. P. Washburn	100 .00	123 .77
Philander Washburn	100 .00	105 .72
Thomas Waterman	100 .00	111 .81
Thomas Weston	150 .00	222 .05
B. P. Wood	100 .00	146 .02
Cornleius B. Wood	150 .00	211 .14
Ellen T. Wood	100 .00	144 .13
Julia M. Wood	100 .00	139 .71
Nelson & Albert Wood	100 .00	128 .72
Priscella Wood	50 .00	59 .27
Thomas Wood	100 .00	144 .67
Cemetery at the Green		
Atwood Lot	100 .00	108 .49
Barrett Breck Lot	100 .00	104 .64



Ira Bryant	100.00	116.14
Rebecca Bryant	100.00	113.16
Jennie M. Carpenter	100.00	110.31
Joseph Clark et al	100.00	124.25
Nelson Cobb	75.00	79.22
Julia H. Copeland	1,000.00	1,199.52
Joseph F. C. T. Cornish	100.00	104.64
Orion Deane	100.00	120.99
Andrew Freeman	100.00	108.56
Thomas Gammons	100.00	112.20
Branch Harlow	100.00	172.20
Stephen Harlow	100.00	121.91
Ira O. Littlejohn	50.00	53.64
Osmos Littlejohn	100.00	115.24
Seth Miller	300.00	382.67
Thompson Miller	50.00	54.62
Jas. G. Nichols	50.00	53.51
William Pratt	100.00	107.64
Mrs. Darius Smith	100.00	113.09
Ira Smith	100.00	108.79
Augustus Soule	100.00	131.26
J. H. & I. H. Thompson	100.00	215.82
Gustavus L. Swift	200.00	216.46
Ichabod Thomas	100.00	110.94
Priscilla Starbuck	150.00	152.50
Lydia R. Thompson	100.00	158.36
Philander Thompson	100.00	159.37
Ruel Thompson	100.00	112.20
R. Francis Thompson	100.00	105.07
H. N. Wilbur	100.00	112.31
David Wood	100.00	132.74
Julia M. Wood and Caroline Robbins	50.00	60.27
Rock Cemetery		
Charles N. Atwood	100.00	134.18
Deborah Carver	100.00	197.29

Harvey W. Carver	200.00	250.48
Maria F. Chace	100.00	140.88
Julia S. Cobb	100.00	136.20
Dr. Samuel Cobb	45.00	56.87
Sylvester F. Cobb	100.00	209.36
Charles F. Cushman	176.75	316.97
D. B. Cushman	100.00	110.59
Jacob Cushman	50.00	52.61
Mary B. Keith	75.00	126.20
Seth Morton	150.00	183.57
Isaac Perkins	150.00	211.72
Phoebe Pierce	50.00	56.61
N. Horace Ryder	100.00	122.20
Joanne S. Ryder	100.00	106.36
George W. Sherman	50.00	53.67
A. J. Smith	50.00	53.72
Israel Smith and Nath F. Ryder	100.00	112.82
Ephriam H. Thomas	75.00	100.73
Thomas & Barrows	1,000.00	2,358.98
Winchester Lot	100.00	119.04
Jane A. Wood	18.44	20.10
St. Mary's Cemetery		
Julia Broderick	100.00	109.97
Honora Creedon	100.00	151.70
T. D. Creedon	100.00	101.79
T. F. Creedon	100.00	116.56
Andrew Cronan	200.00	228.97
Hannah Fagan	50.00	54.03
Daniel Hallisey	100.00	123.76
George Jeffers	500.00	890.46
Jeremiah Lynch	100.00	114.83
Ellen McCarthy	75.00	86.31
Eugene S. McCarthy	100.00	118.47
Edmund S. Russell	100.00	114.26
G. H. Rabidoux	100.00	100.83
Thomas B. Sheehan	100.00	109.16

Hannah Sullivan	100 .00	123 .95
John H. Sullivan	100 .00	102 .92
Patrick Sullivan	100 .00	110 .73
John Walsh	50 .00	56 .14
North Middleborough Cemetery		
Earl Henry Cushman	100 .00	147 .27
Oliver Eaton	100 .00	142 .28
Oliver Eaton	100 .00	147 .26
Richard Hawes and David Alden		
Lots	500 .00	613 .37
Sumner Keith	100 .00	144 .19
A. W. & Justin Leonard	100 .00	122 .33
Levi Morse	100 .00	117 .81
Jared Pratt	150 .00	255 .66
Zebulon Pratt	250 .00	303 .79
Waldron & Barrows	150 .00	267 .56
Cora A. Whitmarsh	200 .00	258 .66
Thomastown Cemetery		
Care of Thomastown Cemetery	260 .00	516 .08
Levi Atwood of Taunton	100 .00	283 .22
Atwood lot—Betsey Kinnicutt	100 .00	162 .83
Asa & Clarinda Shaw	100 .00	193 .50
Eleazer Thomas	100 .00	214 .28
Josiah H. Thomas	100 .00	146 .94
Col. Stephen Thomas	50 .00	73 .53
Marcia E. Thurston	50 .00	65 .85
T. T. Vaughan	100 .00	111 .69
South Middleborough Cemetery		
George Austin	200 .00	203 .33
Gamaliel Cushing	30 .00	33 .46
J. L. Feltch	100 .00	111 .22
Samuel N. Gammons	100 .00	116 .18
Ephriam A. Hunt	50 .00	57 .01
W. O. & S. T. LeBaron	50 .00	58 .19
Nathaniel F. Shurtleff	200 .00	228 .87
John E. Smith	50 .00	57 .01
John & Henry Thomas	50 .00	58 .01

John Tinkham	50 .00	57 .01
Angie W. Tripp	100 .00	108 .74
Purchade Cemetery		
Andrew L. Alden	50 .00	91 .01
David Alden	100 .00	131 .82
Joseph Dyer	100 .00	114 .46
Lysander Richmond	100 .00	195 .15
Sachem Street Cemetery		
Gammons Lot	50 .87	112 .41
Thomas Smith	50 .00	76 .46
Almeda E. Thomas	50 .00	100 .41
Summer Street Cemetery		
Jonathan T. Washburn	200 .00	348 .20
Fall Brook Cemetery		
Atwood & Thomas lot	200 .00	266 .22
Joshua A. Bishop	100 .00	132 .23
Marion Road Cemetery		
Isaac Lydia Cushman	100 .00	157 .02
Wappanucket Cemetery		
James Cole	100 .00	111 .70
Benj. Richmond	400 .00	547 .40
Cemetery on Taunton Avenue		
Albert Thompson Mason	100 .00	114 .21
Higland Street Cemetery		
Hannah E. Sherman	100 .00	106 .45
Pierce Cemetery		
G. N. Kern	20 .00	20 .00
Marion Road Cemetery .		
Gilbert Pierce Cemetery	50 .00	75 .62



FINANCIAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING

December 31st, 1929

Receipts		Disbursements	
Taxes		General Government	
Levy of Current Year		Salaries & Wages	3,600.00
Polls, Personal & Real Estate	256,685.21	Town Manager	750.00
Levy of Previous Years		Clerk	
Polls, Personal & Real Estate	73,274.32	Other Expenses	71.21
From State		Stationery & Postage	15.89
Corporation	8,334.45	Printing & Advertising	387.78
Income	50,728.50	Transportation	46.95
Bank	2,243.07	Telephone	22.72
Soldiers Exemption	221.47	Insurance	9.80
Reimbursement Loss of Taxes	74.13	Bonds	35.03
Total Taxes	\$391,561.15	Office Supplies	55.96
		All Other	
		Total Town Manager	4,995.34
Licenses & Permits		Town Clerk & Accounting Officer	
Alcohol	27.50	Salary	2,350.00
Junk	110.00	Other Expenses	
Pedlars	40.00	Stationery & Postage	25.53
Sunday	28.00	Printing & Advertising	9.00
Pool, Billiards & Bowling	4.00	Bond	5.00
Milk	83.00	Binding Records &	
Marriages	76.00	Supplies	43.03
All Other	708.50	All Other	37.75
Total Licenses & Permits	\$1,077.00	Total Clerk & Accounting	2,470.31

Fines & Forfeits		Town Treasurer & Collector	
Court Fines	1,320.00	Salaries & Wages	1,500.00
Total Fines & Forfeits		Treasurer & Collector	750.04
		Assistant Collector	90.33
Grants & Gifts		Clerical Assistants	
		Other Expenses	
From County—Dog Licenses	1,885.33	Stationery & Postage	333.10
Dental Clinic Donations	331.07	Printing & Advertising	210.55
Total Gifts & Grants		Telephone	5.10
		Office Supplies	199.99
Special Assessments		Insurance	144.39
		Bonds	710.00
		All Other	56.47
Moth Extermination	182.41	Total Treasurer & Collector	3,999.97
Sidewalks	735.39	Assessors	204
Total Special Assessments			
Departmental			
General Government		Salaries & Wages	1,515.00
Collector—Costs	126.41	Assessors	1,040.00
Town Clerk—Fees	257.46	Clerk	
Town Hall—Rental	306.50	Other Expenses	
Total General Government		Stationery & Postage	10.92
		Printing & Advertising	270.96
		Transportation	423.75
		Office Supplies	42.16
		All Other	17.84
		Total Assessors	3,320.63

Law Dept.		
Town Counsel		600.00
Moderator		
Salary		25.00
Election & Registration		
Salaries & Wages		
Registrars	300.00	
Election Officers	87.50	
Other Expenses		
Printing & Advertising	31.25	
Total Election & Registration		418.75
Town Hall		
Salaries & Wages		
Agent & Janitor	1,300.00	
Assistant—Vacation	14.00	
Other Expenses		
Fuel	471.04	
Light	487.21	
Repairs & Janitor's supplies	703.44	
Insurance	812.04	
Telephone	374.69	
All Other	62.49	
Total Town Hall		4,224.91
Safety Committee		
All Other Expenses		12.82
Police Dept.		
Salaries & Wages		
Chief	2,400.00	
Sergeant	1,900.00	
Patrolmen—3 men	5,400.00	
Special Police—per hr.	1,216.75	
Other Employees, 1 clerk	1,068.60	
Police Dept.		
Rent	600.00	

Town of Lakeville	Fire Dept.	425.00	Other Expenses	
			Transportation	570.69
			Equipment—(repairs)	73.60
			Fuel	189.45
			Light	86.13
			Rent	883.37
			Printing, Stationery &	
			Postage	38.10
			Telephone	212.25
			New Motorcycle	300.00
			All Other, incl. road marks	277.02
			Total Police Dept.	14,615.96
			Salaries, Wages Fire Dept.	
			Chief	408.33
			Permanent Men	11,935.84
			Call Men	5,142.07
			Supt. Fire Alarm	350.00
			Equipment & Repairs	
			Hose—new	465.50
			Trucks & Equipment—repairs	1,851.58
			Fuel	444.99
			Light & Water	680.39
			Maintenance Building & Grounds	
			Repairs	99.53
			Furniture & Furnishings	145.88
			Laundry Work	122.26
			All Other	23.99
			Other Expenses	
			Telephone	55.65
			Dry Hydrants—new	406.67



Inspecting Fire Hazards		58.00	
All Other		16.43	
Total Fire Dept.			22,207.11
Inspection of Wiring			
Salary—Inspector		328.45	
Other Expenses			
Transportation		140.60	
All Other		46.20	
Total Inspection of Wiring			515.25
Sealer of Weights & Measures			
Fees	217.67	Salary—Sealer	771.88
		Other Expenses	
		Transportation	411.80
		Telephone	37.71
		All Other	60.29
Total Sealer Weights & Measures			1,281.68
Gypsy & Brown Tail Moth Extermination			
Extermination Sale of Lead	843.97	Wages	2,380.53
	54.32	Other Expenses	
Total Gypsy & Moth Ext.			
	898.29	Sprayers—repairs	73.44
		Stationery, Printing & Postage	23.10
		Telephone	16.80
		Insecticides	446.65
		Hardware & Tools	33.44
		Transportation	406.09

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Dry Goods & Clothing	29.61
Groceries & Provisions	65.60
Hospitals	910.42
Small Pox	5,578.95
All Other	38.30
Tuberculosis	
Board & Treatment	2,919.08
Plymouth Co. Hospital*	3,030.71
Vital Statistics	
Births	44.00
Deaths	29.00
Other Expenses	
Transportation	828.40
New Truck	781.00
Street Cleaning	1,123.20
Inspection	
School Children	
Physician	400.00
Nurse	500.00
Animals	
Inspector	208.33
Milk	
Inspector	118.00
St. Lukes Hospital	500.00
Dental Clinic	505.82
Dental Clinic Donations	305.11
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	20,553.77
Sewer Maintenance	
Labor	1,701.93
Tools & Equipment—new	102.64

	Pipe & Fittings	240.93	
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	Refuse & Garbage	2,045.50	
	Labor	2,300.70	
	Trucks	587.06	
	Rent of Dump	35.00	
	All Other	12.30	
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	Total Health & Sanitation	2,935.06	25,524.33
		Highways	
	General		2,200.00
	Salary—Supt.		1,225.04
	Labor—Misc.		
	Trucks	571.88	
	Gas & oil	2,744.91	
	Tires	932.00	
	Labor & Re-		
	pair parts	1,481.69	
	Teams mtc.	165.91	
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	Stone & Gravel	5,323.61	
	Equipment—New	1,650.18	
	Equipment—Material	1,616.96	
	Equipment—Labor	1,336.22	
	Insurance	1,340.51	
	Street Signs	819.86	
	Dynamite	412.82	
	Telephone	72.83	
	Water	34.86	
	Light	46.57	
	Damage claims	21.87	
		45.75	

Highways

Sale of Old Materials

General—Private work

Total Highways

6.63

565.25

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All Other	203.73
Graveling Roads	
Labor	13,042.80
Material	1,263.92
Patching Roads	
Labor	2,826.10
Material	2,117.74
Scraping Roads	
Labor	1,296.53
Oiling Roads	
Labor	2,087.16
Material	5,597.58
So. Middleboro Patrol	
Labor	1,749.33
Material	368.38
Cutting Brush	1,264.26
Special Cutting Brush	322.07
Bridges	
Labor	783.71
Material	329.60
Everett Square	
Land Damages	1,425.00
New Trucks—two	1,469.00
Prospect Street	500.00
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	52,793.99
Sidewalks & Curbs	
Maintenance—Labor	571.22
Construction	
Labor	1,350.34
Material	456.80
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	2,378.36

Snow & Ice Removal		
Labor		1,665.12
Tractor—rental		300.00
All Other		8.63
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Total Highways		1,973.75
	Public Welfare	57,146.10
General Administration		
Salaries—Overseers		575.00
Salary—Physician		200.00
Printing Stationery & Postage		52.59
All Other—Office supplies		186.88
Outside Relief by Town for Residents of Middleboro		
Groceries & Provisions		3 405.91
Coal & Wood		1 250.85
Board & Care		1,843.50
Medicine & Attendance		629.97
State Institutions		896.28
Clothing		319.34
Cash Aid		10,348.49
Relief by Other Cities & Towns		
Middleboro settlements		
Cities		421.93
Towns		678.25
Mothers Aid by		
Town—Res. of Middleboro		9,465.92
Other Cities—Midd. Settle't		246.67
District Nurse		193.25
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		30,714.83
Public Welfare Dept.		
Almshouse		
Sale of Produce		3 142.79
Board at Farm		1 808.16
Use of Trucks		260.41
All Other		160.93
Reimbursement from		
Individuals		234.08
Cities & Towns		2 772.60
State		2 729.08
Mothers Aid—State		2 497.21
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Total Public Welfare		13 605.26

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Traveling Expenses	606.80
School Census	100.00
Insurance	1,660.05
All Other	127.78
Teachers Salaries	
High	33,432.20
Elementary	51,028.51
Text Books & Supplies	
Books—High	935.62
Elementary	526.17
Supplies—High	1,478.74
Elementary	2,764.55
Tuition	
Elementary	804.00
Evening	66.40
Transportation	
High	3,880.58
Elementary	12,000.80
Janitors Services	
High	2,019.48
Elementary	4,951.64
Fuel & Light	
High	1,444.89
Elementary	3,779.29
Maintenance of Buildings & Grounds	
High—Repairs	385.51
Janitors supplies	34.88
All Other	79.11
Elementary—Repairs	2,643.96
Janitors supplies	133.52
All Other	343.16
Furniture & Furnishings	
High	565.87







Repairs on Buildings	145.89
Power	4,237.84
All Other	147.49
Construction	
Labor	758.32
Pipe & Fittings	1,824.77
Warrentown Water Main Ext.	
Ideal Contracting Co.	4,324.91
Engineering Inspection	500.21
Materials	6,603.79
Standpipe Repairs	
Waterproofing Contract	7,000.00
Repairs—Outside Standpipe	1,079.11
Additional Fire Protection	
Pumping Station Expense	1,880.16
Total Water Dept.	39,632.27
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# Electric Light Dept.

Sale of Electricity	113,296.15
Miscellaneous	
Jobbing	2,309.69
Deposits	985.00
Bad Debts	19.41
Use of Phone	5.39
Refunds	316.67
Total Electric Light Dept.	116,932.31

# Electric Light Dept.

Administration	2,000.17
Manager	2,427.59
Clerks	1,013.23
Collector & Assistant	247.12
Office Supplies	495.03
Stationery & Postage	121.72
Printing & Advertising	2,745.84
Transportation	221.00
Telephone	
Station	
Inspecting & Testing Meters	59.81
Other Employees	4,998.66
Repairs to Plant	253.47
Repairs to Real Estate	876.58

Oil & Waste	55.56
Tools	250.03
Purchase of Energy	39,264.88
Repairs Water Plant	61.66
General	
Care of Lights	1,907.70
Repairs of Lines	9,722.70
Meters & Transformers	161.62
Misc. General Expense	46.51
Insurance	1,019.59
Reading Meters	1,293.70
Repairs Meters	389.01
Distr. Tools & Equipment	6,448.45
Accidents & Damages	3.00
Construction	
Conductors	955.45
Conduits	566.86
Meters & Transformers	3,087.54
Right of Way	794.00
Electric Lines	15,296.30
Installing Meters	326.58
St. Light Equip.	922.28
Total Electric Light Dept.	98,033.64

Gas Dept.

Administration	
Manager	999.83
Clerks	1,213.55
Collector & Assistant	506.59
Office	151.78
Stationery & Postage	247.19

Gas Dept.

Sale of Gas	41,794.33
Total Gas Dept.	41,794.33





Deposits		Interest & Maturing Debt Interest	
	Interest	Temporary Loans	
Taxes	689.94	Anticipation of Revenue	7,139.90
Water Damage—Spec. Deposit	3,844.72	General Loans	
Railroad Water Notes	18.29	New High School	5,400.00
Trust Funds	140.00	Nemasket Bridge	480.00
M. L. H. P. Drinking Ftn. Fd.	333.48	New Fire Station	600.00
Enoch Pratt Fund	325.00	New Pumping Unit	440.00
M. L. H. P. Charity Fund	245.12	Plymouth Co. Hospital	100.00
Thos. S. Peirce Trustees		Warrentown Water Ext.	198.00
Nemasket Bridge	480.00	Public Service Enterprise	
New Fire Station	600.00	Water Dept.	1,120.00
		Mun. L. Dept.	1,400.00
Total Interest	6,676.55	Total Interest	16,877.90
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Municipal Indebtedness		Municipal Indebtedness	
Temporary Loans		Temporary Loans	
General Loans	210,000.00	Anticipation of Revenue	230,000.00
Warrentown Water Ext.	8,800.00	General Loans	
Thos. S. Peirce Tr.	3,000.00	New High School	10,000.00
Nemasket Bridge	10,000.00	New Fire Station	10,000.00
New Fire Station		New Pumping Unit	2,000.00
		Nemasket Bridge	3,000.00
Total Municipal Indebt.	231,800.00	Plymouth Co. Hospital	2,000.00
		Public Service Enterprise	
		Water Dept.	2,000.00
		Mun. L. Dept.	7,000.00
		Total Municipal Indebtedness	266,000.00

Agency & Trust		Agency & Trust	
Taxes collected for State, County and Non Resident Bank Taxes are included in General Tax receipts.	Trust—Cemetery Perpetual Care	Agency Taxes State	20,685.32
		Taxes County	20,126.00
		Trust	
	1,525.00	Cemetery Perpetual Care	1,525.00
		Bequests	1,474.49
		Income	244.09
		M. L. H. P. Charity Fund	
		Total Agency & Trust	44,054.90
		Refunds	
Town Manager	3.90	Town Manager	3.90
Treasurer & Collector	297.00	Treasurer & Collector	297.00
Police Dept.	2.64	Police Dept.	2.64
Moth Dept.	4.14	Moth Dept.	4.14
Health Dept.	35.00	Health Dept.	35.00
Highway Dept.	264.59	Highway Dept.	264.59
Public Welfare	164.80	Public Welfare	164.80
School Dept.	36.24	School Dept.	36.24
Interest	6.86	Interest	6.86
M. L. H. P. Charity Fd.	6.00	M. L. H. P. Charity Fd.	6.00
Water Dept.	80.97	Water Dept.	80.97
Mun. L. Dept.	85.83	Mun. L. Dept.	85.83
Taxes	331.70	Taxes	331.70
Total Refunds	1,319.67	Total Refunds	1,319.67
Total Receipts for Year	851,555.66	Total Disbursements for Year	869,238.35
Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1929	21,178.71	Cash on Hand Dec. 31st, 1929	3,496.02
Grand Total	872,734.37	Grand Total	872,734.37

# BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31ST, 1929

Assets	Revenue Account	Liabilities
Cash in Banks and Office		
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes—Levy 1926		500.00
“ “ 1927	10.20	60,000.00
“ “ 1928	718.70	
“ “ 1929	27,947.07	8,507.05
“ “ Excise	84,919.08	1,479.92
	4,052.74	4,440.64
	<hr/>	1,387.27
Special Assessments	117,647.79	
Moth 1927		331.91
“ 1928		458.51
“ 1929		90.94
Sidewalks		973.20
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	1,753.88	1,854.56
Departmental		
Old Fire Station		4,108.69
Fire Dept.	10.00	1,753.88
Moth Dept.	32.50	13,471.81
Health Dept.	289.14	10,646.47
Sewer Dept.	675.71	1,130.56
Highway Dept.	120.78	18.80
Parking Space	1,093.10	7.70
Public Welfare	51.00	4,052.74
Herring	9,509.74	36,084.13
School Dept.	20.00	
Military	1,658.84	
	11.00	
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Mun. L. Dept.	13,471.81	
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	10,646.47	





Fire Dept.	22,207.11	425.00	21,782.11	224
Inspection of Wiring	515.25		515.25	
Sealer Weights & Measures	1,281.68	217.67	1,064.01	
Moth Dept.	3,603.67	1,080.70	2,522.97	
Trimming Trees	591.81		591.81	
Forest Fires	303.88	31.95	271.93	
Dog Officer	198.45		198.45	
Health Dept.	25,524.33	2,407.24	23,117.09	
Highway Dept.	57,146.10	1,307.27	55,838.83	
Public Welfare Dept.	44,154.48	13,605.26	30,549.22	
Soldiers Benefits	3,047.09	748.50	2,298.59	
School Dept.	143,388.72	26,968.61	116,420.11	
Library	6,794.00	2,418.33	4,375.67	
Unclassified	16,044.20	815.92	15,228.28	5,515.25
Water Dept.	18,244.09	23,759.34		
Warrentown Water Ext.	11,428.91		11,428.91	
Standpipe Repairs	9,959.27		9,959.27	
Gas & Electric Dept.	141,832.74	158,726.64		16,893.90
Herring	36.41	100.00		63.59
Interest Mun Indebt.	16,877.90	6,676.55	10,201.35	
Municipal Indebtedness	266,000.00	231,800.00	34,200.00	
Agency & Trust	44,054.90	64,601.11		20,546.21
	<hr/> 867,918.68	<hr/> 539,294.46	<hr/> 371,643.17	<hr/> 43,018.95

Salaries of Town Employees	
Town Manager	3,600.00
Town Clerk &	
Accounting Officer	2,350.00
Registrar	75.00
School-work cards	75.00
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Harry J Goodale  
 Waldo S Thomas  
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William W Brackett	Treas & Coll	1 500.00	
"	Water Dept.	200.00	
"	Mun L. Dept.	800.00	2,500.00
J Stearns Cushing	School Dept		
George A Philbrook	Mun L. Dept.	3 000.00	4,000.00
William G Boynton	Fire Dept	750.00	3,750.00
Lelah M. Hathaway	Welfare Dept.		
Leslie N. Clark	Assessors	5.00 per day	
John T. Connor	Welfare Dept		100.00
Paul F. Anderson	Welfare Dept		50.00
William J. Coughlin	Health Dept		1,300.00
Michael J. Cronan	Highway Dept		2,200.00
Minnie M. Jones	Registrar		75.00
Frank S. Thomas	Registrar		75.00
Louis C Littlejohn	Registrar		75.00
Alden C. Sisson	Moth Dept &		
Fletcher Clark Jr.	Various depts	30.00 per week	
Benjamin C. Shaw	Sealer W & M.		
Harrison F Shurtleff	Various depts.	30.00 per week	
E Kimball Harrison	Police Dept.		2,400.00
Robert Hewitt	Moderator		25.00
Mertie E. Witbeck	Assessors Dept.	5.00 per day	
Ruth M. Harriman	Assessors Dept	5.00 per day	
George L. Whitten	Agent & Janitor	25.00 per week	
Erna L. Cole	Dog Officer		175.00
	Librarian		1,400.00
	Town Manager Dept.	750.00	
	Water Dept.	450.00	
	Treas. & Coll.	750.00	1,200.00
	Water Dept.	100.00	
	Mun. L. Dept.	350.00	
	Assessors Dept.	20.00 per week	1,200.00

E. Maude Francis	Mun. L. Dept.	25.00 per week	
Henrietta Wilbur	Mun. L. Dept.	22.00 per week	
Gertrude Dunham	Mun. L. Dept.	20.00 per week	1,500.00
Helen Pasztor	Health Dept.		
Election Officers	Warden	10.00 per day	
	Clerk	7.50	
	Others	5.00	
Police Dept.	Sergeant		1,900.00
	Regular Patrolmen 3 @ each		1,800.00
	Clerk	20.00 per week	
Fire Dept.	Permanent Men	Maximum 40.00 per week	
		Minimum 28.00	
		Maximum 250.00 per annum	
		Minimum 100.00	
	Call Men		
	Maximum	25.20 per week	
Moth Dept.	Minimum	21.60	
Highway Dept.	Roller Engineer	28.80 per week	
	Maximum	25.20	
	Minimum	21.60	
	Maximum	39.50	
Mun. L. Dept.	Minimum	24.00	
School Dept.	Refer to the School Committee's report.		
Water Dept.	Maximum	30.00 per week	
	Minimum	24.00	
	Pumping Station		
	Engineers—Maximum	35.00	
	“ Minimum	32.00	

Respectfully submitted,  
WALDO S. THOMAS,  
Accounting Officer.



Board of Selectmen,  
Middleboro, Mass.  
Gentlemen;—

Included in the duties of the Town Counsel from March, 1929 up to and including March 1930, there has been the usual amount of conferences, advice and consultation with the Town Manager, Town Treasurer, Department of Public Welfare, the Town Clerk and in some cases written opinions. Three prominent items stand out particularly during the year:

First is the case of Harvey C. Thomas v. Town of Middleborough. In this case four notices were served on the Town for alleged defect on Centre Street. The plaintiffs in these cases against the Town were Harvey C. Thomas, Mrs. Charles S. Gove, Mrs. Isabelle Lagard and Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas. After notices were served and after conferences with counsel for the plaintiffs, as counsel for the town I refused to advise settlement. Suit was brought and damages placed at \$4000. In the case of Harvey C. Thomas. This was a test case. Writ was returnable in Superior Court at Plymouth in May 1927. This case was on the trial list in Superior Court at various times until finally tried, requiring constant effort to keep track of the same so that the cases could be tried without default. Trial was finally arrived at, and required two full days, May 14th and 15th, in the Superior Court at Brockton. On May 17th judgment was entered for the defendant town. In the preparation of this case constant consultations with the Chief of Police and the Town Manager was required, and also keeping in touch with all witnesses who were of any importance in determining the liability of the town. This test case of Harvey C. Thomas being decided in favor of the town, the cases of Elizabeth Thomas, Isabelle Legard and Mrs. Charles S. Gove were abandoned. Would say that the least amount that I could have settled this case for was \$2000.00.

The next case of importance is that of the Ideal Construction Co. against the town, requiring consultations as to construction of the contract, going over vouchers and payments with the Town Manager, and on one occasion meeting

counsel for the Ideal Construction Co. in conference at my office as late as ten o'clock at night. Although the claims for extras in this case are from \$700 to \$800, after a complete examination and consultation of the same with counsel for the Ideal Construction Co., who was a very decent fellow, no action seems to have been taken in regard to the collection of the same.

The next cases were those of the aftermath of taking of lands for construction of high tension current. Settlements were made with everybody but Annie Otto and Deborah Place. These were petitions under the Statute for a jury to assess damages for the taking of easements and rights for a high tension wire. These petitions were filed in the Superior Court in June 1928. They were on the jury trial list for several times after that time. Realizing that the Otto case was one that might involve serious damage on account of the taking of land commonly called "front land" and placing a pole with two guy wires, in the front yard, I concluded the same should be settled without reference to a jury and having obtained the settlement in the sum of \$300., I am satisfied that the town is thereby saved some \$700. as I am sure a jury would have assessed the damage in the sum of \$1000.

The case of Deborah Place could not be settled for less than \$1000. and I elected to go to trial. This case was tried two full days by an auditor sent out by the Superior Court sometime in the month of November last, resulting in a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for no more than the town offered her in the first place, this without costs.

Among other actions is the case of notice served on the town by one Alice L. Craig who stepped into a hole where an electric light pole had been removed. To this case I gave full investigation and am satisfied now that nothing further will come of it.

In conclusion will say that for the first time in my experience of twenty-five years as counsel for the town, there is no case now pending against the town of Middleborough.

Yours very truly,  
N. WASHBURN,  
Town Counsel.

# GAS AND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Which include sales (January bills)

Gas	\$6,891 .08	
Lighting	18,145 .25	
Power	2,071 .37	
Jobbing	344 .49	
	<hr/>	\$27,452 .19

## TOTAL SALES

	1928	1929
Gas	\$42,110 .29	\$43,994 .85
Lighting	91,333 .03	104,053 .76
Power	15,577 .99	15,226 .99
Jobbing	1,913 .97	2,795 .83
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	\$150,935 .28	\$166,071 .43

## Increase in Sales, 1929 over 1928

Gas	\$1,884 .56
Light and Power	12,369 .73
Gas, Light and Power combined	14,254 .29

## CONSUMERS

Jan. 1, 1930

Gas	67
Electric	1546
Gas and Electric	1078
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## METERS INSTALLED

Jan. 1, 1930

Gas	1386
Electric	3226
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	4612

## STREET LIGHTS 1929

	Total No. nights run	Total No. hours run	Av. No. nights per mo.	Av. No. hours per night
All night service	365	4,010 h. 10 m.	30	10 h. 59 m.
2.00 A. M. service	365	2,857 h. 30 m.	30	7 h. 50 m.
12:00 midnight serv.	365	2,127 h. 30 m.	30	5 h. 50 m.
So. Middleboro, Rock & No. Middleboro ser.	365	2,555 h.	30	7 h.
K.W.H. made				181,700
K.W.H. purchased				1,972,350
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Total				2,154,050
Total K.W.H. used for street lights				205,508

1929

## OPERATING EXPENSES—GAS

Production

## Operation:

Wages at Gas Works	\$1,952.50	
Boiler Fuel	101.25	
Water	61.37	
	<hr/>	\$2,115.12



## Maintenance:

Maintenance of Works & Station Structures	\$187.98	
Maintenance of Other Equipment at works	11.88	
Maintenance of Holders	4.68	
Station Tools & Appliances	29.50	
Gas Purchased	27,490.41	
	<hr/>	\$27,724.45

## TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION

## Operation:

Removing and Resetting Meters	\$111.87	\$111.87
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## Maintenance:

Maintenance of Street Mains	\$6.55	
Maintenance of Services	615.42	
Maintenance of Consumers' Meters	215.83	
Maintenance of Tools and Appliances	113.55	
	<hr/>	\$951.35

## GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

Salary of Manager	\$999.83	
Salaries of General Office Clerks, Meter Readers and Collectors	2,366.98	
General Office Supplies and Expenses	483.76	
Insurance	224.87	
Transportation Expenses	146.16	
Depreciation	4,029.09	
Miscellaneous General Expense	4.58	
	<hr/>	\$8,255.27

Total Expenses	\$39,158.06
Balance to Profit and Loss	3,175.11

Total Debits	<hr/> \$42,333.17
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## INCOME—GAS

From sale of Gas	\$43,994 .85	
Less Discounts and Rebates	1,661 .68	
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Total Credits		\$42,333 .17

## OPERATING EXPENSES

## Hydro-Electric Generation

## Operation:

Electric Labor	\$4,998 .66	
Lubricants	68 .94	
Station Supplies and Expenses	276 .93	
	<hr/>	\$5,344 .53

## Maintenance:

Maintenance of Dams and Intakes	\$14 .00	
Maintenance of Electric Generating Equipment	17 .08	
Maintenance of Accessory Electric Equipment	267 .46	
Maintenance of Station Structures	829 .23	
Maintenance of Flumes and Canals	8 .00	
Maintenance of Water Turbines & Water Wheels	39 .66	
Electric Energy Purchased	39,264 .88	
	<hr/>	\$40,440 .31

## Transmission, Distribution and Storage

## Operation:

Transmission & Distribution Supplies & Expenses	\$6,939 .27	
Inspecting & Testing Meters	59 .81	
Removing & Resetting Meters	280 .11	
	<hr/>	\$7,279 .19

## Maintenance:

Maintenance of Transmission & Distribution Lines	\$9,722 .70	
Maintenance of Transformers	292 .62	
Maintenance of Consumers' Meters	108 .90	
	<hr/>	\$10,124 .22

## Utilization

## Operation:

Municipal Street Lamps— Supplies and Expenses	\$1,504 .82	
Municipal Street Lamps—Labor .	48 .00	
	<hr/>	\$1,552 .82

## General and Miscellaneous

Salary of Manager	\$2,000 .17	
Salaries of General Office Clerks, Meter Readers and Collectors	4,734 .52	
General Office Supplies and Expenses	969 .15	
Insurance	1,019 .59	
Transportation Expenses	2,255 .34	
Depreciation	12,411 .15	
Miscellaneous General Expenses	46 .51	
Accidents & Damages	3 .00	
	<hr/>	\$23,439 .43
Total Expenses		\$88,180 .50
Balance to Profit and Loss		26,951 .98

## Total Debits

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\$115,132 .48

## INCOME—ELECTRIC

From Lighting	\$104,053 .76	
From Power	15,226 .99	
	<hr/>	\$119,280 .75
Less Discounts and Rebates	\$4,148 .27	

## Total Credits

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\$115,132 .48

## BALANCE SHEET

## Assets

## Investments—Gas

Land, Gas	\$1,200 .00
Structures	2,578 .92
Boiler Plant Equipment	1,264 .19
Miscellaneous Power Plant Equipment	488 .71
Water Gas Sets	3,317 .78
Purification Apparatus	324 .23
Other Equipment at Works	7,978 .11
Street Mains	72,602 .74
High Pressure Gas Lines	14,236 .40
Gas Services	18,843 .10
High Pressure Services	25 .50
Consumers' Meters	9,863 .12
Consumers' Meter Installations	1,404 .88
Office Equipment	469 .20
Laboratory Equipment	350 .00

## Investments—Electric

Land, Electric	\$6,000 .00
Right of Way	2,344 .00
Right of Way, Brockton High Tension	3,813 .70
Structures	3,163 .61
Reservoirs, Dams, Canals & Waterways	7,716 .99
Water Turbines & Water Wheels	2,290 .38
Electric Plant, Hydro	3,205 .45
Miscellaneous Power Plant Equipment, Hydro	1,489 .61
Transformer Station and Sub station Equipment	3,239 .08



Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Con-		
ductors	86,194 .66	
Consumers' Meters	26,218 .61	
Consumers' Meter Installations	5,535 .36	
Line Transformers	21,903 .69	
Transformer Installations	6 .79	
Street Lighting Equipment	9,050 .37	
Office Equipment	910 .44	
Underground Conduits	38,011 .82	
Underground Conductors	13,409 .95	
Brockton High Tension Lines	26,749 .57	
Current Assets:		
Cash on hand	8,507 .05	
Accounts Receivable	27,452 .19	
Inventory	10,963 .14	
Reserve Funds:		
Depreciation Fund	4,440 .64	
Construction Fund	1,479 .92	
Special Deposits Fund	1,387 .27	
	Liabilities	
Loan Repayments		\$132,200 .00
Appropriation for Construction		45,992 .39
Notes Payable		30,000 .00
Consumers' Deposits		1,387 .27
Interest Accrued		390 .00
Profit and Loss Balance		240,461 .51
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	\$450,431 .17	\$450,431 .17
Plant Investment (Book Value)		
Gas	\$134,946 .88	
Electric	261,254 .08	
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	\$396,200 .96	

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

By balance at beginning of year		\$218,068 .07
By balance of Jobbing Account		583 .02
By balance of Electric Operating Expense Acct.	26,951 .98	
By balance of Gas Operating Expense Account	3,175 .11	
To interest paid and accrued on notes	\$1,316 .67	
To notes paid	7,000 .00	
To balance account	240,461 .51	
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	\$248,778 .18	\$248,778 .18

## CONSTRUCTION DRAFTS 1929

## Gas

## Expended for:

Street Mains	\$1,866 .75	
Services	2,822 .89	
Consumers' Meters	724 .14	
Consumers' Meter Installations	67 .37	
	<hr/>	\$5,481 .15

## Electric

## Expended for:

Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors	\$15,296 .30	
Consumers' Meters	1,982 .35	
Consumers' Meter Installations	326 .58	
Line Transformers	1,105 .19	
Right of Way	794 .00	
Street Lighting Equipment	922 .28	
Underground Conduits	566 .86	
Underground Conductors	955 .45	
	<hr/>	\$21,949 .01
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		\$27,430 .16

## TOWN INDEBTEDNESS

Water Loan 4%	
11 Notes due the Middleborough Savings Bank \$1,000.00 each due Jan. 1st, 1930 to Jan. 1st 1940	\$11,000 .00
16 Notes due The Middleborough Savings Bank \$1,000.00 each due June 1st 1930 to June 1st 1945	16,000 .00
New Fire Station 4%	
One Note due April 15th 1930	5,000 .00
Nemaskett Bridge Construction	
Three Notes \$3,000.00 each due October 1st 1930. Oct 1st 1931 and October 1st 1932	9,000 .00
Gas Construction 4%.	
One Note Due October 1st 1930	3,000 .00
High School Loan 4%.	
13 Notes due each year 1930 to 1942 \$10,000.00 each	130,000 .00
Electric Light Loan 4%	
27 Notes \$1,000.00 each due March 1st 1930 to 1936	27,000 .00
New Fire Engine 4%	
One Note due April 9th 1930	\$2,000 .00
One Note due April 9th 1931	2,000 .00
One Note due April 9th 1932	2,000 .00
	<hr/> \$6,000 .00
Temporary Loan due The Merchants National Bank	
One note due October 20th 1930	\$20,000 .00
One note due October 31st 1930	20,000 .00
One note due November 15th 1930	20,000 .00
	<hr/> \$60,000 .00
Rate 4.10%	<hr/> \$267,000 .00

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS  
NOTES ACCOUNT

Dec. 31	Transferred from Operating Fund	\$7,000.00	Dec. 31	Payments	\$7,000.00
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INTEREST ACCOUNT

Dec. 31	Transferred from Operating Fund	1,400.00	Dec. 31	Payments	1,400.00
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DEPRECIATION FUND

Jan. 1	Balance on hand	.40	Dec. 31	Transferred to Construction Fund	12,000.00
Dec. 31	Transferred from Operating Fund	16,440.24	Dec. 31	Balance in Town Treasury	4,440.64
		\$16,440.64			\$16,440.64

CONSTRUCTION FUND

Jan. 1	Balance on hand	\$2,910.08	Dec. 31	Payments	\$27,430.16
	Transferred from Operating Fund	14,000.00			
	Transferred from Depreciation Fund	12,000.00	Dec. 31	Balance in Town Treasury	1,479.92
		\$28,910.08			\$28,910.08

OPERATING FUND

Jan. 1	Balance in Town Treasury	\$2,813.23	Dec. 31	Transferred to Notes Account	\$7,000.00
Dec. 31	Collections	158,193.97	Dec. 31	Transferred to Interest Acct.	1,400.00
			Dec. 31	Transferred to Depreciation Fd.	16,440.24
			Dec. 31	Transferred to Construction Fd.	14,000.00
			Dec. 31	Payments	113,659.91
			Dec. 31	Balance in Town Treasury	8,507.05
		\$161,007.20			\$161,007.20

DEPOSITS FUND

Jan. 1	Balance in Town Treasury	\$1,097.27	Dec. 31	Payments	\$695.00
Dec. 31	Collections	985.00	Dec. 31	Balance in Town Treasury	1,387.27
		\$2,082.27			\$2,082.27

SUMMARY

Balance in Construction Fund	\$1,479.92
Balance in Depreciation Fund	4,440.64
Balance in Operating Fund	8,507.05
Balance in Deposit Fund	1,387.27
Total Collections Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1929	158,193.97

Respectfully submitted,  
GEORGE A. PHILBROOK  
Manager.



REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER  
FOR YEAR ENDING 1929

Cash on hand Jan. 1st 1929	\$21,178.71	
Cash received during year	851,459.80	
	<hr/>	\$872,638.51
Cash paid during year	\$869,238.35	
Cash on hand Jan. 1st, 1930	3,400.16	
	<hr/>	\$872,638.51

WILLIAM W. BRACKETT,  
Treasurer.

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